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GOMPERS DECLARES WAR ON STEEL TRUST TO END OPEN SHOP

Leaders of Federation of Labor Decide on Drastic Measures.

RESOLUTIONS SENT TO THE AUTHORITIES

Aid is Asked From Union Men in All Parts of Country.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 14.—War was formerly declared on the United States Steel Corporation by the leaders of organized labor throughout the United States and Canada at the close of a two days' conference today. The decision to battle against the stand taken by the steel corporation in its policy of open shop was reached by the labor conferees after hours of debate.

At the conference Samuel Gompers president of the American Federation of Labor, presided, and, through him, the measure was put upon the record books of the executive council of the federation.

The grievances of organized labor against the steel corporation, as set forth in the resolution, have been forwarded to President Taft, to the United States Senate and the House of Representatives. Governors of states in which the United States Steel Corporation owns plans or has interests also will receive copies. The resolution in part follows:

"A crisis in the affairs of labor has arisen. The gigantic trust, the United States Steel Corporation, is using its great wealth and power in an effort to rob the toilers of their right of American manhood and of the opportunity to resist its further encroachment. Grown rich by the consent of the people of our country, this corporation, in its mad greed for still greater riches, sweeps aside, makes and unmakes law, its enactors and executors, and is now engaged in an effort to destroy the only factor—the organizations of its employes—standing between it and unlimited, unchecked and unbridled industrial, political, social and moral carnage. If there exists any virile power in our time and life to check the absolute domination of civic, industrial and political life of our people and our republic, it must be found in the indomitable will and mission of the much misunderstood and misrepresented organizations of labor.

WAR ON LABOR.

"The United States Steel Corporation has declared war on labor. In its secret councils this corporation has decreed that the only obstacle to its complete sway—organized labor—shall be crushed. The labor organizations consist of its employes, the workers' (their wives and little ones) human flesh and blood. It is by their labor that they live; they have no purpose other than safeguarding their lives their character, their future, the safety of the republic and humanity.

"These factors now confront each other. By their purposes, attitude and actions, must they be judged.

"On June, 1, 1909, the United States Steel Corporation proclaimed its decree of hostility toward labor. The right of the workers to associate for their common protection was no longer to be recognized or tolerated. Accompanying that decree was a notice of a further reduction in the already scant wages of the workers. The decree went into effect July 1, 1909.

ORGANIZE WORKMEN.

"We therefore urge that an earnest effort be made to thoroughly organize all employes in the iron, steel and tin plate industry and subsidiary co-related trades. Owing to immediate pressing necessity caused by the present strike and the indefensible hostile attitude of the United States Steel Corporation, we earnestly call on national and international unions of America to send at least one organizer to assist in this work. We further urge and recommend that in all places where mills are located the central labor organizations appoint special committees with instructions to cooperate in this work. For educational purposes we recommend that this manifesto be made a special order in all central labor organizations at the first meeting in January, 1910.

"We recommend that the executive council of the American Federation of Labor issue a circular to all unions of America and appeal for financial contributions to aid the striking iron, steel and tin plate workers.

"We further recommend that the amount of such contribution should not be less than 10 cents per member

TO NOTIFY OFFICIALS.

"In view of the great wrongs perpetrated by the United States Steel Corporation, not only against the workers, but the public generally, we recommend that a committee be appointed by this conference to wait upon the President of the United States, the president of the United States Senate, the speaker of the House of Representatives and such members of their houses of Congress as may be deemed advisable for the purpose of laying before them the grievances from which labor suffers at the hands of this corporation.

"At the instance of the United States Steel Corporation officers of local municipal and state governments have unwarrantably tyrannized our citizens, invading the constitutionality guaranteed rights of free assemblage and free speech. We recommend that committees be appointed by this conference to wait upon the governors of states and such other official representatives of the counties and municipalities as are in control where the United States Steel Corporation has plants located, for the purpose of presenting to these officials the great wrongs inflicted on the people of these communities and that the committees demand an investigation, and where charges made are substantiated by evidence, the officers responsible therefor be removed and the wrongs immediately righted.

"We appeal to all liberty-loving Americans for their moral and financial support.

(Signed.)

"James O'Connell, T. L. Lewis, W. D. Mahon, George W. Perkins, J. W. Hayes, Frank M. Ryan, T. Healy, Samuel Gompers, P. J. McArdle, Charles E. Lawlor."

At the conclusion of today's conference the men said they had "said all there was to be said" when they had adopted the measure.

WAS IT HER MOTHER MADE ATTEMPT TO KIDNAP THE GIRL?

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 14.—The police of the city are convinced that an attempt was made today to kidnap 9-year-old Helen Wallscheid, adopted daughter of Jacob Wallscheid, a shoemaker, who came here from Chicago two years ago, and are trying to locate three fashionably dressed women who drove to the Twentieth street school where the child was, in an automobile today and demanded that she be allowed to go with them. Principal Yoder refused the demand and telephoned to Wallscheid, who arrived at the school just as the women drove away.

Wallscheid says that the child is the daughter of Mrs. William Herron wife of a Chicago broker, and that its father is a titled German who has recently died and left a large estate. When he adopted the child seven years ago the mother was known as Gertrude Holbrooke. She consented to the adoption of the child by him, but since then, he asserts, she has made attempts to regain possession of it, and he believes that one of the women who came to the school today was Mrs. Herron.

AMERICAN NAVY NEEDS BLUEJACKETS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The need of the United States navy for more enlisted men is shown by orders issued today placing in reserve the armored cruiser New York, which only a few months ago was placed in commission with the armored cruiser squadron of the Atlantic fleet after having been completely rebuilt.

This order was given so that the crew might be used in forming the complement for the new batleship Michigan, which is fitting at the Philadelphia navy yard. The cruiser is now at Hampton Roads and will go to the Philadelphia yard, where she will be laid up. It is expected that the Michigan will go into commission within the next week under command of Captain Nathaniel R. Usher, former assistant to the chief of the bureau of navigation at the navy yard.

The new battleship South Carolina, which is also at Philadelphia fitting out, will require a number of men for her complement and it is probable that some other vessel will have to be placed in reserve in order that she may be given a full crew.

HIS BRIDE-TO-BE IS KILLED IN ACCIDENT

Young Bissel Also Seriously Hurt When Auto Rolls Over Embankment.

PASADENA, Dec. 14.—Miss Armes Claypoole, 18 years old, the daughter of a wealthy resident of this city, was instantly killed and Harvey Bissell, 24 years of age, son of a Grand Rapids, Mich. millionaire manufacturer, was perhaps fatally injured this afternoon when the racing automobile in which they were riding went over the grade in the Eagle Rock Valley road and fell 100 feet down the steep incline.

Miss Claypoole's body was found under the machine, her death having been caused by a puncture of the lungs by a broken rib. Bissell was lying nearby and still conscious. His collar bone and right leg were broken and his spine injured severely. He is lying in the Pasadena hospital conscious, but unable to move his lower extremities.

Bissell says that after leaving the top of the steep incline the transmission of the machine broke and he was unable to check its wild flight with the brake. He called to Miss Claypoole to jump but it was too late and the heavy machine plunged down the embankment before either of its occupants could free themselves from it.

It is said here that young Bissell and Miss Claypoole were engaged to be married during the winter.

NURSE TO VISIT CONSUMPTIVE POOR

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 14.—The city council took another step today in aid of the Los Angeles Society for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, when it created the position of visiting nurse and voted a salary allowance. It will be the duty of the visiting nurse to operate among the consumptive poor, under the direction of the society.

RANCH FOREMAN BURNED TO DEATH

CORONA, Cal., Dec. 14.—Walter S. Coseboom was burned to death and his wife painfully burned in a fire which destroyed the ranch house of W. C. Barth today. Cosebom was foreman of the ranch. Fire started in the kitchen and while Cosebom was trying to extinguish it a can filled with oil exploded, throwing the burning oil over him. Mrs. Cosebom rushed to his rescue, but was driven back by the flames after her clothes had caught fire.

QUEROL, SCULPTOR, DIES.

MADRID, Dec. 14.—Augustino Querol, sculptor, died today. He had recently submitted a model for the Columbus monument to be erected at Washington.

UNITED STATES MAY FIGHT SHOULD MEXICO GIVE ASYLUM TO NICARAGUAN DICTATOR

Populace at Managua Riots Against Zelaya's Government Without Interference From Police—Has Diaz Sent Guerrero to Rescue the "International Brigand?"

◆ NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Dec. 14.—Just before the Atlantic fleet steamed ◆
◆ from Old Point to the southern drill grounds today, it was stated that the ◆
◆ battleship Missouri had been ordered held in readiness to proceed to Central ◆
◆ America at a moment's notice. It is said that the ship had been coaled and ◆
◆ provisioned in preparation for a voyage south under hurry orders. ◆

WASHINGTON, December 14.—In Central American diplomatic circles the dispatch of the Mexican gunboat Guerrero to Corinto is taken to have only one meaning—the furnishing of an asylum for President Zelaya when he is forced to abdicate.

The diplomats, practically all of whom are acquainted with the depth of the water in that harbor, point out that the Guerrero can make fast to the piers there, while the American gunboats, the Yorktown and the Vicksburg, are of too great draught to approach close to the shore.

This fact gives a great advantage to the Guerrero, provided her errand is to rescue Zelaya from American retribution. Unless a large contingent of United States marines or bluejackets is landed to prevent the approach of any one to the Mexican war vessel, Zelaya might ship aboard, say the Central Americans here, and then laugh at any attempt at his capture. Once on the Guerrero, the Nicaraguan president would be theoretically on Mexican soil, and United States navy authorities would be powerless unless it were decided to make an issue and take Zelaya by force — an act that would be tantamount to a declaration of war with Mexico.

MANAGUA, Nic., December 14.—The people of Managua are in open revolt against Zelaya, without check from the police. They are crowding the streets and giving vent to unrestrained denunciation of the administration. Shouts of "Long live Liberty!" "Long live the United States!" "Long live Mexico!" and "Long live Estrada!" are heard on every side.

The street demonstrations began last night, after denunciatory speeches in Congress and the temper of the people was madly excited by the report that a battle had been fought and won by Vasquez, commanding the Zelayan forces around Rama, and that Vasquez has massacred a large number of revolutionists.

With this report came the additional rumor that Vasquez had violated the armistice, and it was not considered probable that he would do so unless under instructions from Zelaya. These reports lost nothing in passing from mouth to mouth. As the Mexican minister was the guarantor of the armistice, it is stated that that official will ask for his passports, unless satisfactory explanations are made.

The whole country is in a ferement. Zelaya is denounced on every hand, but he is master of the situation and the people fear a wholesale execution of political prisoners. The prisons are full of men, most of whom are half starved and doubtless would welcome death.

The people openly demand American intervention and vigilantes have been organized to prevent the escape of the President. A serious danger threatens, for the American concessionaire of the electric lighting plant declares that he will put the whole city in darkness if a large sum of money due is not paid before noon tomorrow. This bill amounts to 109,000 pesos, and it is hardly probable that the demand will be met.

The American vice consul, Henry Caldera, has stuck to his post and conducted the business of the office under conditions of much danger.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14—One of the projects for the solution of the Nicaraguan situation that has been strongly urged upon the State Department is the establishment of a protectorate, either singly by the United States or jointly with Mexico.

This may be regarded as necessary in the event that the insurgents fail to displace Zelaya by their own efforts and it may follow an insurgent triumph that would leave the country without responsible leaders.

It is said precedent for such action would be found in the cases of Santo Domingo and Cuba. In the first instance, large sums of money, due American citizens, could not be collected from the Dominican government (then in a state of chaos) by diplomatic means. In the case of Nicaragua the government has defaulted in payment in agreed allotments on the Emory claim. In the case of Cuba, a state of disorder that threatened lives and property of Americans and other foreigners was the warrant for intervention.

ACTIVE INTERVENTION.

There is reason to believe that a forward movement will be adopted by the government, perhaps as soon as a sufficient number of marines have been gathered off the Nicaraguan coast. Today's news from Managua, indicating the imminence of rioting beyond the ability of the local government forces to suppress might serve as a basis for landing the marines from the Des Moines, if necessary to maintain order, just as was done on the Isthmus of Panama a few years ago. It is not part of the plan to maintain such a force in Nicaragua permanently, but only long enough to permit of a fair and free general election and the establishment of a president pledged to observe constitutional obligations.

MEXICAN NOTE.

The attitude of the Mexican government in the Nicaraguan situation is set forth in a document that today was placed in the hands of Secretary Knox by Governor Creel of Chihuahua.

Governor Creel, who recently arrived in Washington, had an interview with Secretary Knox this afternoon. Governor Creel presented a statement from President Diaz containing his views.

At the State Department this afternoon it was announced no statement could be made with respect to the Mexican note, for the present at least, or until department officials had an opportunity to give it their consideration. It is expected, however, that the government's reply may be ready for delivery to Governor Creel within the next day or two.

The report from Managua that the Nicaraguan congress, probably anticipating the early retirement of President Zelaya, attempted to authorize a number of important concessions of Zelaya, calls attention to the number of vastly remunerative monopolies already enjoyed by Zelaya and his friends. The facts as to these monopolies are contained in official reports to the State Depatment and are said to be susceptible of absolute proof.

WHOLESALE MONOPOLY.

This attempt at wholesale monopoly of the resources of the republic, and, in fact, the recognition or toleration of monopoly in any form, is in direct and deliberate violation of the Nicaraguan constitution, which specifically ordains that "there shall be no monopolies that pay very large dividends."

One of these is called the Aguardiente Syndicate, which handles rum made from sugar cane. This monopoly paid in the year 15 per cent and still another is the cattle syndicate, which includes slaughter tax and cattle export duties, which pays 2 per cent. a month.

Other monopolies include the following:

The sole right for exportation of cocoanuts on the Atlantic Coast; the exportation of turtles, sponges, pearls and mother-of-pearl on the Atlantic Coast; the fisheries on the Pacific Coast; a company formed for the introduction of crude oil for refining in Corinto; the monopoly of nail manufacturing; the soap trust.

It is said that President Zelaya controls all the monopolies and concessions mentioned and gets the lion's share of their abnormal earnings.

The existence of these and many other unlawful monopolies has created a great burden for the Nicaraguan people and has resulted in an almost complete paralysis of trade.

ATTACK ON UNITED STATES.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 14.—Resolutions prepared by a committee selected at a meeting of the Central Americans in Mexico City denouncing the action of the United States in reference to Nicaragua, and Zelaya were mailed here today to President Taft and Secretary Knox. They were ratified at a mass meeting of members of Central American colonies in this city late last night. They are in part as follows:

"That the government of the United States has no right to intervene in the interior affairs of Central American states despite the reasons stated by you, and we affirm that the purpose of your government is to consummate an offense against Nicaragua, arousing political passions, taking advantage of the credulity or display of some Central Americans.

"That Nicaragua has grounds to consider that the present revolution has been prompted by the government of the United States and has perfect right to claim from that government an indemnization sufficient to pay for the loss of life and interests which your government has caused with its irregular proceedings.

MEXICAN MEDIATION.

"That if the government of the United States had sought in good faith an equitable and impartial solution of the conflict, it would have accepted at once the mediation offered by the government of Mexico to solve the question peacefully—a mediation which was offered, according to the declaration of the Mexican government of the press.

"We, citizens of five republics of Central America, declare that your note is opposed to the sovereignty and dignity of our common country, but principally to the republic of Nicaragua; that we consider that the note is not inspired by a government friendly to our people and in consequence we protest against the aggression which your government is practicing against Nicaragua and we call upon all of our countrymen in Central America and abroad to be on the alert with respect to the dominating and absorbing tendencies of the American government in order that should the occasion present itself, they may act as the patriotism and independence of our five republics require."

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HENEY TO GO ON LECTURE PLATFORM

TUCSON, Ariz., Dec. 14.—Francis J. Heney is to take the lecture platform. Arrangements have been completed for a tour embracing the principal cities of Arizona and ending in time to enable Mr. Heney to spend Christmas in San Francisco.

Mr. Heney is said to have under consideration offers from several lecture bureaus for an extensive tour of the United States, and in addition he will prepare soon a series of magazine articles dealing with the graft prosecution in San Francisco. He will first take up the Oregon land cases, early in January.

MORGAN'S BANK DECLARES ANOTHER DIVIDEND, 8 PER CENT.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—An unexpected banking "melon" was sliced up in Wall Street today in time for the Christmas holidays, when the First National Bank declared an extra dividend of 8 per cent. for the quarter, making the total disbursement of 40 per cent. in dividends for the year. The bank has a capitalization of $10,000,000 and distributes this year $4,000,000 in dividends.

ARIZONA CASE IS LIKE THE SLEEPING SICKNESS

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 14.—Charles Nelson, suspected of being afflicted with the sleeping sickness, awoke today after a sixty hour, nap, subsequent to a forty hour snooze, with an intermission of a couple of hours' wakefulness.

Symptoms continue harmonious with the theory of the African lethargy. Nelson, when awake is sullen, melancholy and talks but little. He objects to an examination by physicians. He has been removed to a sanitarium and will be closely watched.

HAS DELUSIONS ABOUT MISS TAFT

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Ellis S. Rosaen, former principal of a public school, appeared in court today, where his sanity will be investigated, chiefly because he has delusions concerning Miss Helen Taft the President's daughter. According to testimony, Rosaen imagines Miss Taft, disguised as a nurse, had visited Bellevue, where he was confined recently, and had left a sum of money for him.

Rosaen was declined in Washington last spring for annoying President and Mrs. Taft, according to an affidavit submitted today.

REGISTER OF 1908 IS GOOD FOR PRIMARIES SAY COUNTY CLERKS

OAKLAND, Dec. 14.—The County Clerk's Association of California, which is gathered in convention to discuss the direct primary law, decided today, in accordance with an opinion rendered by Attorney General Webb, that the register of voters of 1908, supplemented by the 1910 register, will be used to determine the qualifications of electors signing nominating petitions for office. Where the names on the 1908 register are not accompanied by party affiliations as required by law, they will be considered valid if electors make affidavits giving such affiliations at the last preceding state election. The convention was presided over by William R. Hamilton of Sacramento, with John F. Cook of Alameda as secretary.

KILLED WHILE SLEDDING.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Dec. 14.—One boy was killed and six were injured tonight when a bob sled collided with a Wabash passenger train.

NO SKELETON IN CLOSET OF THE KELLNER FAMILY

Disappearance of Little Girl Means Kidnaping and Nothing More.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 14.—To scatter the clouds that have gathered about the possible motives behind the disappearance last Wednesday of 4-year-old Alma Kellner, Frank Fehr, a millionaire brewer and uncle of the child, today said flatly that kidnapers were entirely responsible.

Fehr has been active in his efforts to restore the child to her parents and through his offices, the family of the child has refused to offer a reward.

Fehr's statement today quieted rumors of skeletons in the Kellner's family closet.

"Money is what the kidnapers want and that is why they will not harm Alma and why we are trying not to be unduly alarmed," said Fehr. He said at the time the kidnapers thought proper—when excitement abated somewhat—he expected a ransom proposition.

PRESIDENT OPPOSES ANY NATIONAL ROADS

Taft Says Highway Construction is a Function of the State.

TOPEKA, Kas., Dec. 14.—National aid for permanent roads, a system of national highways connecting capitals of the various states and of state highways connecting various county seats, use of federal prisoners in building roads, are some of the suggestions made today at the opening sessions of the tenth national good roads convention.

A letter from President Taft declares against national aid to any great extent. The President says:

"My own view of the good roads question is that it is chiefly a state function and that all ought to unite in an effort to promote good roads. I do not think that the farmers are as much interested in the matter as they ought to be.

"Next to education, the system of good roads is the greatest civilizer."

Arthur C. Jackson, national president of the Good Roads Convention appointed a committee on resolutions. One resolution will declare for national aid for good roads.

The suggestion to use federal labor in building roads is contained in a letter from D. R. Anthony, a Kansas congressman.

BATTLE OF AEROPLANES OVER FEDERAL PATENT

Wright Brothers and Curtiss Appear as Litigants in Buffalo Court.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 14.—Three of the world's famous aviators, the Wright brothers and Glenn Curtiss, of the Herring-Curtiss Company, joined issue in a legal battle here today.

The proceedings, before Judge Hazel in the United States court, were in a suit brought by the Wrights for a preliminary injunction against Curtiss to restrain him and his associates from manufacturing and selling aeroplanes, on the ground that in all essential details, Curtiss is infringing patents of the Wrights. Arguments had not been completed when court adjourned until tomorrow.

Attorney H. A. Toulmin, of Springfield, O., representing the Wright brothers, argued for three hours to show that his clients are pioneers. He laid special stress on their discovery of devices for balancing a machine in the wind, one of the claims being that Curtiss copied these devices. It also was charged that Curtiss received his inspiration while A. M. Herring, his partner, was agent for the Wright brothers in 1902.

For Curtiss, Attorney Emerson E. Newell of New York, denied the infringement. He declared that the Wrights themselves had admitted that the inclined plane and the forward and rear attachments were old, that Curtiss had adopted an entirely different plan to maintain equilibrium. He also claimed that the particular devices upon which the Wrights claimed infringement never had been patented.

HE GOT ON JURY TO VOTE FOR DEATH

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Dec. 14.—Ernest Estout, who last summer beat Joseph Richardson to death, was sentenced today to nine years in prison. The trial was abruptly stopped yesterday when it was learned that a juror had secured a place on the panel purposely to vote for death. A new charge of manslaughter was filed and Estout pleaded guilty.

DEMONSTRATION FOR CHINESE HOME RULE

VICTORIA, Dec. 14.—According to advices received here today a dramatic appeal to Chinese patriotism was made at Nankow, China, November 20th at a meeting to oppose the flotation of foreign loans for building the Yoh Hon and Chun Han railroad. The principal speaker cut off his little finger before the assemblage, creating a sensation as he waved the bleeding stub. The district gentry are fighting to have the line financed by domestic loans and have raised over ten million dollars. The United States, with European nations, has been demanding a share in foreign loans proposed for building this line.

ROBBER HAS GREAT FUN WITH THE POLICE OF A BIG CITY

Flouts Detectives by Making Third Holdup in Same Location.

TOOK NO MONEY FROM CANDY SHOP

Has Been Sending Cards to San Francisco Peace Department.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—Another hold-up in the store next to his earlier field of crime, was tonight committed by the lone bandit who killed one man, held up another and robbed two drug stores a week ago last Saturday and repeated both of the same stores and robbed a third last Saturday night. He has done this the utmost efforts of the police to apprehend him, even replying to published statements of police officials with postal cards, resenting their categorizing of him as a "cur and a coward." He also telephoned to the drug store of Dr. Gleason, which he twice held up, that there must be more money in the register the next time he called or he would blow "out the owner's head."

Tonight, evading the vigilance of the police and almost rubbing shoulders with two detectives set in watch for him, the robber went to a candy store, a block away from the scene of the double murder, and forced the girl in charge to open the cash drawer. That he got nothing for his pains is believed to be due partly to the fact that there was little to get and partly because his action appeared to be inspired more by a desire to flout the police than by greed.

SEIZED RIGHT MOMENT.

"Charlotte's" a candy store one door removed from Dr. Gleason's drug store, which has twice been looted by the bandit, was the scene of tonight's exploit. The robber appeared to have been watching the place closely all evening, for the moment he seized for his spectacular reappearance the real estate. The arc light which illuminates the block had been given trouble, leaving the place in darkness every few minutes. During one of these periods, and while the proprietor William Crammer was absent, the bandit walked in and covering Mrs. Irene Crammer, the young woman behind the counter, with a revolver, ordered her to open the cash drawer. On the street outside, the two detectives guarded the closed entrance of Gleason's drug store. Lights blazed on every side as the location is on the outskirts of the downtown shopping district. It was but a few moments after 7 o'clock and hundreds of people were passing along the street, yet the bandit succeeded in questioning the girl as to the detectives, scooping the few dollars in the cash drawer and walked away without being observed by anyone but the girl.

The description she gives of the visitor tallies very closely with that of the murderer and robber of Gleason's.

Dr. Gleason's place has been closed since the death of his mother last Sunday but two detectives have been constantly on watch, day and night, anticipating just what occurred tonight. They were there during all the time the bandit was in the candy store but saw nothing of him and did not know the place had been visited until called by the frightened girl.

STATE FUNDS WERE IN BANKRUPT BANK

State of Oklahoma May be Out a Part of Its Big Sum of $122,867.

GUTHRIE, Okla., Dec. 14.—State funds amounting to $122,867 are on deposit in the Farmers' National Bank of Tulsa, which closed its doors last night, according to a statement made by Governor Haskell today. The governor said Edward Cassidy, secretary of the school and land commission, had deposited $70,000 in the bank and that State Treasurer James Menefee had deposited $52,867.

The state treasurer's funds are paid by the school district and municipal warrants and the school land funds by surety bonds. One of the surety bonds for $25,000 was issued by the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company of Baltimore.

"There is enough money in the state guaranty fund," said Governor Haskell, "to protect all depositors in state guaranteed bands, unless too many of these national banks fail, and the un funds belonging to the state banks."

The State Banking Board today authorized A. M. Young, state bank commissioner, to take charge of the First State Bank of Kiefer unless that bank should succeed in drawing out its balance of $30,000 from the defunct Tulsa bank.

BISHOP SUES AGAIN TO OBTAIN CHURCH

DENVER, Dec. 14.—Bishop N. C. Matz, head of the Colorado diocese of the Roman Catholic church, today brought a second suit against Father Joseph P. Carrigan, whom he recently pronounced excommunicated, and the officers of the St. Patricks church corporation.

The second complaint seeks to have the courts set aside the mortgages on the church property now standing in the name of Ellen O'Neill, the priest's sister, and also asks that the note covering the Carrigan family's loan to the church be cancelled and that a temporary injunction issue to restrain Father Carrigan and the officers of the church from asserting an interest in the property and from acting as directors or officers of the church.

A previous suit by Bishop Matz was decided against him because of existence of the mortgage and deed, which the bishop charges are fraudulent.

BODY OF UNKNOWN MAN FOUND ON ABANDONED WEST SIDE FARM

Every Indication Points to Suicide by Drowning in Trough.

Nothing Found in Pockets —He Was a Foreign Workingman.

Lying face upward in a galvanized-iron watering trough, filled to the brim with water, the body of an unknown man was found yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock on an abandoned ranch eight miles west of Fresno on the White's Bridge road. W. W. Welkner, who runs a small dairy just across the road from the old ranch, was the discoverer. Every indication points to suicide by drowning.

Every bit of evidence that might assist in the identification of the man had been destroyed. In one pocket was an empty purse. In another was a half-filled package of smoking tobacco and a package of cigarette papers. In another pocket was a skeleton key. That was all. Not a scrap of paper was found.

The man was dressed in an overall suit, with heavy workman's shoes. A slouch hat lay near the trough on the ground. His brawny hands indicated that he was a working man. Apparently he was about 45 years of age, about 5 feet, 7 inches in height, and weighed about 165 pounds. His hair and mustache were light.

After the discovery Welkner returned to his home across the road and waited for the appearance of somebody coming in the direction of Fresno. About 4:30, J. E. Mitchell, the Banger cattleman, came along in his automobile. Welkner stopped Mitchell and informed him of the discovery.

Mitchell investigated with Welkner and then drove to the city, where he notified Coroner Bean. Mitchell said the dead man resembled Jim Kerfoot the murderer of Hamlet R. Brown. The coroner then notified Sheriff Chittenden.

Coroner Bean, Sheriff Chittenden and Deputy Staley went to the scene. Inquiry was made at all the neighboring farm houses, but no one had seen the man in the vicinity at any time. His features indicated that he was a foreigner. As soon as the sheriff saw the body he said it was not Kerfoot, although there was a striking resemblance between the two.

The remains were brought to the morgue, where an inquest will be held today. The body was examined last night, but no marks of violence could be found. Every indication pointed to drowning with suicidal intent. The coroner estimated that the body had been in the water for two weeks at least. The cold weather was instrumental in preserving the remains as well as they are, although decomposition had set in. Had not the discovery been made until a few days later little would have remained to ascertain the nationality of the man.

The abandoned ranch is located on section 7 of the Kearney estate and is about a mile east of the Rolinda school house. There seems little chance of identifying the remains and the case will probably go on record as another mystery of the West Side plains.

POLECAT INVADES COURTHOUSE PARK

"Hud" Burleigh Unwittingly Brings Little Animal Under Buggy Seat From West Park.

An innocent little polecat invaded the court house park yesterday morning and for an hour a large crowd was entertained with one of the most amusing sights in many years about the park square. Before the animal could be killed, fully 500 had gathered to witness the unique chase after the "kitten."

Ex-Supervisor H. E. Burleigh was responsible for the excitement and side-splitting laughter. About 9 o'clock, Burleigh drove up to the court house park entrance on K street with the polecitten snugly tucked under the buggy seat. He tied his horses to the cable fence surrounding the park.

Realizing that the atmosphere was a little chilly, Burleigh reached under the seat to procure a couple of lap-robes with which to cover the horses. His hand came in contact with a hairy object. Lifting up the flap he saw the skunk and quickly spread the alarm.

Patrolman Bradley was standing on the corner and the blue coat offered his services. The crowd began to gather. Bradley tried to poke the polecat out with a stick, but that method wouldn't do the work. Then chloroform was placed on a handkerchief and thrust under the nose of the animal. It merely sniffed and held its ground. Then sulphur was employed and this did the work. The skunk jumped from its hiding place and ran across the street, leaping into a delivery wagon.

It was driven from here and again crossed the street, invading the park. After a chase of a block or more, one of the leaders hit the victim behind the ear with a cane, ending the chase.

COALINGA JUSTICE IS BEFORE GRAND JURY

Justice Kerr of Coalinga was before the grand jury yesterday questioned as to criminal matters and the law's administration in the town of Coalinga. City Engineer Jansen is under invitation to appear today and tomorrow the O'Donnell committee will make a descent upon the county recorder's office.

One or two committees are in session daily. County Expert Hughes has been with one committee, going over the accounts of fees of the township justices of the peace.

.·. IN THE COURTS .·.

TWO HUSBANDS GRANTED DIVORCES ON PROVEN DESERTIONS

McKinzie's Creditors Shut Out From the Mill Money.

Mrs. Forshee Sues Traction Company for Damage in Sum of $5175.

Florence Cadwallader having deserted husband in May, 1908, and defaulting yesterday when the case came up for trial, Judge Church gave a divorce to A. B. Cadwallader. They were married in Iowa in December, 1898, and the last known of her was when she resided in Los Angeles, where summons was served on her. They have a son, aged 5, in the custody of the father according to an agreement made between the parents. They had a disagreement, resolved to separate and made a property division, he taking what was in Los Angeles and she what was in San Bernardino. Judge Church thinking there might perhaps have been collusion, asked questions on this line and whether the divorce action was not the result of the property division and separation. Cadwallader said that nothing on divorce was touched upon in the agreement, save that the property agreement was in full receipt for any money claim she might have against him.

J. L. Fridley, who is a farmer in the Squaw Valley country, was divorced by Judge Church from Myrtle Fridley because of her desertion, continuing since August, 1907. She is at Pasadena and defaulted in the case. The Fridleys married at Exeter, in Tulare county, in May, 1902. According to the testimony, Fridley had found on a table at home a letter addressed to the wife by a man. It was a Don Juan character of a letter, misspelled and wretchedly scrawled. He taxed her with unfaithfulness, she did not deny it, said she was indifferent to him and loved the other man better than she did husband, and if the latter made much more ado about it she would leave him for the other man. Thereafter she did one day leave with all her belongings. Fridley said further that about one year and a half after her desertion he had learned that she had become a mother.

CREDITORS HAVE NO CLAIM.

With the filing yesterday by Judge Austin of his signed findings the end has come of the case of the Hume-Bennett Lumber Company against R. E. L. Good and C. A. Telfer as trustee for William J. McKinzie, bankrupt millman. The point of the judgment is that the creditors can lay no claim to any of the money deposited in court to be fought out between Good and the trustee, the latter claiming the money earned as part of the bankrupt's estate.

Judge Austin finds that on April 2, 1907, the company and McKinzie entered into a contract for McKinzie to cut and make lumber for it at agreed prices. On January 2, 1908, this contract was assigned by McKinzie to Good. The latter in June, 1909, as assignee and in the performance of the contract earned $11,286.91 admitted by the company to have been earned and deposited in court to await further disposition. Afterwards $5865.64 was paid by the clerk to Good, leaving a residue of $5422.27.

McKinzie was on December 26, 1908, adjudged a bankrupt in the federal court and in July, 1909, Telfer as assignee served notice on the lumber company forbidding it to pay any money to Good earned by operations of the McKinzie mills without his written authorization. For that reason Telfer was made a defendant in this action for the disposal of the money in court. It was admitted on the trial that subsequent to June there was due a sum exceeding $4000.

The court further finds that in the performance on the part of Good of the contract with McKinzie the latter became indebted to him in the sum of about $36,000 and that the lumber was cut for the bankrupt estate is not true. So judgment went to Good for the remainder on deposit, namely, $5623.27, also the total net sum earned after June, 1909, the company being ordered to deposit in court forthwith the sum of $4000 which the clerk is directed to deliver to Good.

JOHNSON ESTATE.

The estate of the late Capt. Robert S. Johnson, formerly of Stockton, who died in this city on the 20th of last October, was reported ready for distribution by the son, W. R. Johnson, as administrator. He charges himself with $14,898.80 receipts and credits of $15,161.36, showing a balance due him of $284.66. The business of the estate in the Palo Alto stables at H and Merced streets, destroyed by fire in August with all books and vouchers, so that the only vouchers rendered are the receipts covering amounts expended in payment of claims against the estate. The heirs are: W. R. Johnson, Eva L. Brown, Charles R. Johnson of Los Angeles, Ida May Davis of Alameda and Roy S. Johnson of Stockton. The last three named assigned their respective interests in their father's estate to their sister, Mrs. Brown, each receipting for $435, and she assigned her interest and the others assigned to her to the brother and administrator.

SUES FOR DAMAGES.

Susan Forshee seeks damages in the sum of $5175 with costs from the Fresno Traction Company. She is the wife of William F. Forshee, but says he has deserted her for more than one year compelling her to work at day labor to maintain herself and has done so until the 15th of last month, when, as she claims, she was injured in an accident. These facts are stated to give her legal standing in court to bring this action independently of the husband and in her own name. She states that she was a car passenger on the 15th of last month bound to Argus street and before she could alight the car was put in motion, she was thrown on the ground and injured in spine, foot and ankle, the latter having been sprained. For this she wants $5000 damages. As her second cause of action, she specifies that as the result of the accident she has had to have physician's care at $100, a nurse at $25, to pay room rent board and medicine $50, a total of $175.

CITED FOR CONTEMPT.

Josephine Remy has been cited to appear before Judge Austin on the morning of the 20th to show cause why she should not be punished for contempt. The citation was issued on the affidavit of Attorney Henry Brickley in the case of S. C. Shore, in which on the 20th of last month a restraining order was issued forbidding her and others from interfering with or removing any property appurtenant to Calwa Park saloon, about five miles south or southeast of the city and also requiring them to show cause on the 23rd why this restraining order should not be made permanent. They did not appear on that day and notwithstanding the order it is claimed that on the 12th inst. she forcibly had removed the property in dispute, a gas making apparatus.

APPRAISERS NAMED.

H. O. Marshall, G. J. Nees and W. D. Nelson have been appointed by Judge Austin to appraise the estate of the late Helen Boyd.

RETURN OF SCHMIDT UNWINDS A TANGLED SKEIN

Man Supposed to Have Met Death at Hands of the Yaqui Indians.

Complications Arise in His Absence Over Land Title and a Mortgage.

Behind the judgment for the plaintiff by Judge Church in the case of B. F. Montgomery and E. J. Kamrar against A. C. Schmidt, an action to quiet title arising under unusual circumstances, is the tale of another man who was thought to have "mysteriously disappeared," who was given up for dead, and as unexpectedly returned to life. The case went to judgment in his absence, but appearance in court was made for him by Attorney A. M. Drew, who held his power of attorney as to certain business matters.

Montgomery is the owner of lots 19-27 in block 9 (the NE 1-4) of Fresno Heights; Kamrar of lots 10-18, the SE 1-4 of the block. In June, 1908, Attorney Francis C. Huebner had mortgaged to Schmidt land which in the mortgage was erroneously described as the E 1-2 of block 9 of Fresno Heights, whereas the Huebners in fact owned the W 1-2; in other words by the clerical mistake was accepted as security for the loan of a mortgage on property not theirs, but, in fact, that of Montgomery and Kamrar and thus their title was clouded.

The Huebners finding a buyer for their W 1-2 of block 9 had as a preliminary to pass title to lift the Schmidt mortgage, and then it was that the discovery was made of the recorded mortgage on the land of the others. The Huebner half block was apparently free from incumbrance, but the other half was not, but mortgaged when the owners never had received any consideration for the mortgage that stood of record. An easy solution of the matter was to sue Schmidt to rectify the matter.

But here was the difficulty. Where was Schmidt? His personal attendance would have quickly solved the complications by giving quit claim deed to the east half block lots, but how was the real Huebner mortgage to be released? There was no one authorized to receive for him the mortgage money which the Huebners were ready to pay, and who was to give them the release?

Schmidt is interested in mining and had gone on a prospecting tour into the Moqui country on the boundary line of Mexico. He had been gone six months without a word from him. Anxious to close the real estate deal and rectify the mortgage error, Attorney Huebner wrote and wrote letter after letter, and all of them were returned by the Mexican postal authorities with the statement that the addressee could not be found.

This was at a time when there were reports of the Yaquis being on the rampage and Attorney Huebner having had the experience of two acquaintances murdered by the Yaquis, concluded that Schmidt had also fallen a victim to the Yaquis. There was absolutely no proof of whether he was alive or dead, and it looked for a time as if there would have to be a waiting before he could be legally pronounced dead after seven years of absence that his administrator could release the mortgage and the estate receive the money.

The difficulty with the Montgomery and Kamrar property was easily rectified. A simple action to quiet title was brought against the absentee Schmidt, and judgment was given against him to give up the mortgage for cancellation. As there was never any mortgage in fact, this was easily done by correcting the record, and Attorney Drew under the power of attorney represented him in the case.

The Huebner mortgage to Schmidt, which should have read as being on the W 1-2 of that block 9 has now also been satisfied and released with the return last week of the missing man.

He had no thrilling experiences and no encounters with predatory Yaquis to relate. He had simply gone on a mining prospecting tour into the Moqui country and wandered into Mexican territory so far that he was beyond the reach of the postal authorities. Being a bachelor and with no family ties to call him back, he simply remained away a full six months, never dreaming that his presence would be so much in demand in Fresno.

NEW YEARBOOK IS WANTED BY MANY

Secretary Robertson of the Chamber of Commerce announced last night that many applications had been received during the day for a copy of the year book of the Department of Agriculture. Congressman Needham has written stating that he has a number on hand for distribution. Parties desiring copies are requested to report at the Chamber of Commerce.

SIX MEN ARE INJURED WHEN GAS EXPLODES.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 14.—Six men were seriously injured in an explosion of natural gas in a fire cistern here today. Frank Snyder, street commissioner, is probably fatally burned. The men, who were members of the street force, were cleaning out the cistern. One struck a match to light a cigar and the explosion followed. The gas came from a broken main.

MANY ATTEND FUNERAL OF LATE MRS. SEARLS

Dies in Fresno at Advanced Age; to be Buried in Illinois.

Funeral services over the late Mrs. Elizabeth Searls, who died in this city on Saturday, aged 92 years, were held from the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. H. Bates, 227 Van Ness avenue, in this city, Monday morning, a large number of friends being in attendance. Rev. Charles Coke Woods officiated. The interment will be in Illinois.

Mrs. Elizabeth Searls, known among her familiar friends as "Grandma Searls was born November 22, 1817. She was married to David Searls in Seneca county, Ill., December 27, 1838. Her husband departed this life on February 14, 1900.

Three sons and two daughters survive her. One daughter, Mrs. Mary Huff, lives in Huntington Beach, California, and the other one, Mrs H. H. Bates, resides in this city at 227 Van Ness avenue. One son resides in Chicago, another in Oregon, Ill., and the third in Monmouth, Ill.

Two brothers are still living at an advanced age. One brother, Peter Schuyler, resides in Evansville, Ind. The other is the Rev. Aaron Schuyler, now living in Salina, Kan. Dr. Aaron Schuyler is a noted and honored author and educator, having held for many years the chair of philosophy in the Kansas Wesleyan University, located at Salina, Kan.

Mrs. Searls was a life-long member of the Methodist church, and at the time of her departure held her membership in the First Methodist Episcopal church of this city, where she was greatly loved and where she will be long remembered. Up to the time when she was 91 years of age she was a faithful attendant on the services.

MAN 89 YEARS OLD ON GRAND JURY

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 14.—When the drawing of the county grand jury was resumed today, P. L. Auten pleaded to be excused, because of his advanced age.

"How old are you?" asked Judge Wilbur.

"Eighty-nine," was the reply.

After ascertaining that Mr. Auten's health was good and that he was in full possession of all his faculties, the court refused to excuse him.

"You may live to be a hundred," said the judge.

The jury was completed today and began its deliberations with J. Clark Guy as foreman.

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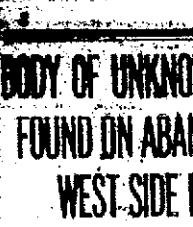

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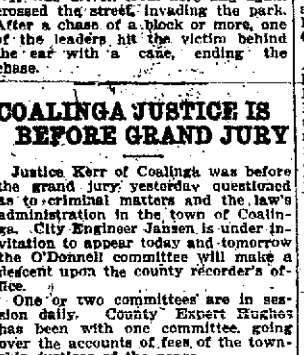

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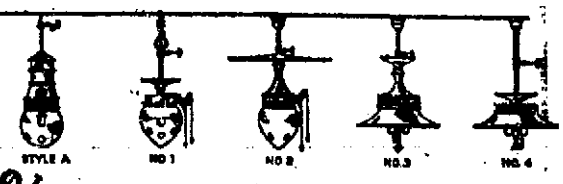

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News of Central California Towns

FEARS WILL LOSE MIND; SEEKS PROTECTION IN VISALIA

Many Lodges Elect Officers to Serve During Coming Year.

Work on Wasteway at Orosi is Resumed During Clear Weather.

VISALIA, Dec. 14.—A man giving the name of McCone, and saying he came from Lindsay, appeared at the sheriff's office this morning with the statement that he believed he was going insane and wanted protection against himself. He said he had been twice in the asylum at Ukiah, having been committed from San Francisco. He had been out the last time about fourteen months. For some weeks he has been at Lindsay and other places, coming yesterday from Bakersfield. While in the latter city he says he felt the trouble coming back.

He was directed to District Attorney McFadzean who advised him to consult a physician, and, if the physician thought it best, he could be examined for insanity. McCone declared that he "just couldn't stand it" intimating that he might destroy himself. What he did after leaving the district attorney has not been learned.

Four Creeks lodge of Odd Fellows has elected the following officers for the ensuing term: Noble grand, Henry Scott; vice grand, C. L. Rosenquest; secretary, I. T. Bell; treasurer, S. Mitchell. The officers will be installed in January, together with a number of appointees.

Kiikatat Tribe of Redmen met last night and elected the following new executives: Sachem, Costo Vucovich; senior sagamore, H. O. Williamson; junior sagamore, William Stamm; prophet, J. F. Heptner.

Oleander Camp, Royal Neighbors, met last night and elected the following officers: Vice oracle, Mrs. Mary West; chancellor, Mrs Dora Ward; recorder, Mrs. Lois R. Bells; receiver, Mrs. Deha Wells; marshal, Miss Pearl West; inner sentinel, Mrs. Bridget Lally; outer sentinel, Mrs. Edith Moser; manager, A. Q. Beals; physicians, Dr. C. C. Fitch and Dr. C. M. White.

An invitation was extended to the Modern Woodmen for a joint installation to take place in January.

Word was received today from T. J. Cross by Mrs. Cross announcing the death of Benjamin F. Fuqua, a half-brother of the former, which occurred in Pomona at 2 o'clock this morning. Mr. Fuqua, who was a teamster, resided at Lindsay for the past five years, and in Fresno. He was taken to Pomona, which was his former home, by Mr. Cross, a few days ago. He was in a critical condition but expressed a desire to return south. The funeral will be held in Pomona.

Attorney Earl Bagby went to Dinuba this morning to prosecute the case against Ed Carlson, a Kingsburg butcher, charged with cruelty to animals. It was alleged that Carlson permitted cattle and other stock to remain in the corral at his slaughter house for days without food or water. Carlson was being defended by a Fresno attorney.

A number of members of Visalia Commandery, Knights Templar, attended the funeral of the late C. H. Claubes in Porterville this afternoon, forming an escort to the remains.

Work has been resumed on the wasteway about the village of Orosi to prevent the waters of Sand Creek from overflowing the place. It is said that if rains hold off for three weeks the canal will be finished. Supervisor Tout is preparing for the erection of three bridges over the canal where it crosses county roads. The roads have not yet been cut through. A portion of the route lies through "dry bog," impossible to work when it becomes wet, but this portion has been completed. All of the flood has now drained back into the creek.

WESTERN PACIFIC SHOPS TO BE BUILT

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 14.—C. H. Schlacks, first vice-president of the Western Pacific Railroad advised the Western Pacific shops committee of that city that, operative January 1, 1910, a superintendent of motive power will be appointed for the company and that one of his first duties will be to take up the subject of construction of the company's main California shops at Sacramento.

For the purpose, 99 acres was deeded to the company a year ago, the land having been bought by popular subscription on the basis of a certain per cent of the subscribers' property assessment. The committee having in charge the matter called in only 75 cent of the original subscription and now, in winding up its affairs, is distributing to subscribers a 4 per cent. dividend.

The committee included P. C. Drescher, V. S. McClatchy, T. B. Hall, Wm. Shaw, Alden Anderson and H. W. Pelter.

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HOTEL TO BE ERECTED IN PORTERVILLE FOR WOMEN

Josephine MacConnaughay of Fresno to Build Structure.

Game Keeper Under Arrest on Charge of Alleged Embezzlement.

PORTERVILLE, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Josephine MacConnaughay has been here from Fresno for the past few days looking for an investment, and on leaving for the north last evening she stated that she has secured the location for a building and is to start shortly upon the erection of a hotel to be exclusively for women. The property which she mentions belongs to her father, John T. LaBille, one of the well known residents of this city, and is situated at the corner of Oak and Second streets, running to the alley between Second and Main. It is the idea of the promoter of the enterprise to model the new hotel upon the lines of similar institutions in the East placing the girls in charge of an experienced matron and having strict regulations with regard to the hours which must be kept, and under which company may be received by the inmates.

George Sandeman, the game keeper for the Porterville Fish and Game association, and who was in charge of the preserve of the club at Tulare lake, is in jail in Delano and will undoubtedly be prosecuted at the instance of market hunters at the lake, who allege that while acting as agent for them in the sale of their birds he converted the returns of the same to his own use. Sandeman, it will be remembered, achieved some small notoriety in the first instance by leaving the club grounds and club house without permission from the officers and took with him a team and provisions which were the property of the association. He was discovered a day or two since in Exeter, where he assigned he had gone for a visit of a day or two. Immediately upon being communicated with, Sandeman started to return to his work at the lake. While he was on the return journey he was met at Delano by a constable with warrants for his arrest upon a charge of embezzlement. Sandeman alleges that the market hunters have also been violating the game laws and his arrest may be followed by numbers of others.

In view of the prevalence of glanders in this section at the present time and as it is difficult to distinguish between such disease in animals and comparatively harmless ones in the early stages a petition is being circulated today asking the board of supervisors to appoint a deputy livestock inspector for this immediate section. This action was particularly taken at this time in view of the death of C. H. Claubes from the disease, which he contracted from one of his driving animals, and which it was not suspected had the disease until there was no saving the members of the family from at least a dangerous exposure to contagion.

As an aftermath of the raid which was made by the police upon the Solo cigar stand Saturday and the arraignment in court of the proprietor and four of the inmates upon a charge of violation of the city gambling law, twelve arrests were asked for this morning by those who were in court yesterday. James Ford and James Berry were the two arrested men whom the officers claim have the responsibility for the conduct of the patrons of the Solo, and they claim on the other hand that their arrest was mere spite work on the part of keepers of other resorts. Although the city officers have condoned the playing of cards in public when the stakes were nothing more valuable than cigars or chips, the law makes no distinction, and the mere possession of cards, card tables and dice in a public place, is prima-facie evidence of gambling. In view of this fact, Ford and Berry, who stand accused of running a straight-forward poker game, have sworn to the warrants for the arrest of fifteen more or less prominent citizens, who were admittedly playing the games winked at by the police, but which are none the less unlawful. The warrants will be returned to the police court this afternoon and it is generally understood that the cases will not be pressed.

As an evidence of the respect in which he was held, C. H. Claubes, who died here Sunday night, all of the business houses and offices of Porterville remained closed today from 12:30 until 3:30, during the hours of the funeral services. The deceased was a member of nearly every one of the leading fraternities of this city and in addition to the appearance of all these lodges in the procession, in full uniform, there was also in attendance the members of the Visalia Commandry of Knights Templar, of which Mr. Claubes was also a member. The funeral services were held at the Claubes home in El Monte under the auspices of the Masonic order, the interment being in the Home of Peace cemetery.

ART COLLECTION MAY BE SOLD OFF

Some of Finest Paintings in Existence Belonged to Eccentric Dane.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Some of the finest art treasures in existence may come into the market through the death of George Salting in this city yesterday, and art circles are stirred over the prospect.

Salting was a Dane, and inherited a great Australian fortune. His whole life and income were devoted to the examination and purchase of works of art and he became one of the best known collectors in Europe.

Apart from his passion, Salting was considered miserly. He lived frugally in two rooms, which were crowded with priceless treasures. Popular report credited him with having never given a cent to charity, and with never spending money unnecessarily on his personal needs.

Salting's collection of porcelains in the Kensington museum is the finest, perhaps in the world. Many paintings now owned by him hung in the National Gallery. Museum directors made it a practice to refrain from bidding against the eccentric man because they believed that his collections would be bequeathed to the nation. However, one of the connoisseur's eccentricities was a reluctance to make a will, and it is not known whether he ever made one. Accordingly, museum officials are somewhat disturbed lest the precious collection be disposed of through the auction rooms.

RED CROSS STAMPS HOLD UP MAILS

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 14.—Quantities of mail addressed to Great Britain and the South American colonies, is held in the Los Angeles postoffice because it bears the non-postage Christmas or charity stamps, which those countries refuse to recognize. Whenever the articles are marked with the names of the senders, they are returned; but there is a large consignment that will have to beforwarded to the "dead-letter" office.

It was announced in Washington dispatches recently that the State Department had taken up the conditions in an endeavor to induce the British postal authorities to recede from their attitude, but whatever the result, it will be too late to permit the forwarding of the Christmas mail from the Coast.

The same conditions obtain in every American city where the Red Cross stamps are being used.

THREE YEARS FOR CHINESE PHYSICIAN

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 14. Dr. T. Wah Hing, a Chinese, found guilty in the superior court of malpractice, was sentenced today to serve three years at Folsom. Hing is very wealthy and owns a large amount of business and residence property in all sections of Sacramento.

ROOSEVELT HAS TAKEN NEARLY 7000 SKINS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14—The Smithsonian African expedition, headed by former President Roosevelt, up to December 10th had taken 6663 skins, of which less than one-half have been received at the institution. The collection consists of 243 large mammals, 1500 small mammals and 1350 birds. The collection has a series of human skulls picked up along the line of the ancient slave trails. This statement of the work of the expedition was made today by Secretary Walcott at the annual meeting of the board of regents of the Smithsonian Institution. The regents expected that Wilbur and Orville Wright would be present today to receive medals awarded them. As they were unable to attend, the presentation will take place later.

TO DIRECT IDAHO COLLEGE.

DENVER, Dec. 14.—W. L. Carlyle, former dean of the Colorado Agricultural College, has been appointed to a similar position with the Idaho institution. Prof. Carlyle also will be director of the government experiment station conducted in connection with the institution. He will assume his new duties January 1.

WOMEN OF EASTERN STAR INSTALL OFFICERS FOR NEW YEAR

Ceremonies are Attended by Many Residents of Selma.

Merchants Are Planning Two Baseball Games for Xmas.

SELMA, Dec. 14.—One of the most elaborate functions of the year in Selma's fraternal circles is the installation of officers by Heliotrope Chapter of the Eastern Star. This event was celebrated last night in Vincent's hall, which had been decorated in garlands of smilax and Christmas greenery.

Mrs. Chester Dusy, the retiring matron, acted as installing officer, fulfilling the duties of her office with grace and dignity.

After the installation ceremony, an informal program was enjoyed, Mr. and Mrs. Wepfer and Dr. and Mrs. O. W. Steinwand playing some beautiful selections on violin and piano. Mrs. W. H. Shafer contributed a recitation particularly suited to the occasion. A trio on violin, flute and piano by Dr. and Mrs. Steinwand and Miss Lillian Wagner was greatly enjoyed.

Following the program a banquet was served. The officers installed were as follows: Worthy matron, Mrs. Irene Manlove; worthy patron, J. W. Mitchell; associate matron, Mrs. O. W. Stearns; conductress, Mrs. W. H. Shafer; associate conductress, Mrs. J. W. Hudson; secretary, Mrs. Clara T. Grant; treasurer, Herman Lohman; Adah, Mrs. J. W. Mitchell; Ruth, Mrs. E. Poulson; Esther, Mrs. J. D. Wagner; Martha, Mrs. John Lohman; Electa, Mrs. Parrus Allen; marshal, Mrs. Ellen Whitson; chaplain, Mrs. H. H. Borchers; organist, Mrs. Anna Howard.

Baseball sports are finding much interest in a game of ball which has been arranged for Christmas day as a result of the boys from the Walter Scott Company and the Rochdale challenging the Kutner-Goldstein employes. None but store employes are to be permitted to play, and each player must make solemn assurance that he has never played professional ball. Already the clerks may be caught running from one sack of corn meal to another in the store, practicing three baggers, and Herman Lewald, manager of the K. G. store, is thought to be aspiring to the pitcher's place from the way he is practicing with apples and oranges from the store.

Anty Drudge Gossips.

Mrs. Gossiper—"Yes, it's said they will be divorced. And after the way she's slaved for him, wearing out her life washing, and cooking, and cleaning. They say he's stuck on that pert Miss Sinamon, who looks as if she never did a stroke of work in her life."

Anty Drudge—"Oh, but she does work! She does as much washing and cleaning as Mrs. Neverrest, but she does it with Fels-Naptha, and doesn't wear herself out. If Mrs. Neverrest had used Fels-Naptha in her washing and cleaning, she would still be as pretty and fresh as ever, and wouldn't have lost her husband's love."

Does housecleaning mean to you a blistering fire in the kitchen and half-scalded hands? Why not try the modern way—the Fels-Naptha way?

Fels-Naptha soap, in cold or lukewarm water, will make your house spick and span. It will dissolve the smoke, grease and dirt on your windows without scouring—polishing them at the same time.

It will brighten paint or varnish on woodwork; freshen up the colors in oilcloth or linoleum; whiten natural wood floors. It is the ideal soap to clean rugs or curtains, as it removes grease spots and dirt of all kinds without harming the colors.

Fels-Naptha will do your housecleaning better in cold or lukewarm water than any other soap will in hot water. You avoid the necessity for a hot fire, and your hands don't become red and rough from constantly dipping them in hot water.

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2 bars of Fairbanks Pummo Soap FREE today with each can sold.

FRUIT DEPT.

Navel Oranges, well colored and ripened, per doz.. 10¢ 20¢ 30¢
Mountain Ben Davis Apples, just arrived, per box $1.40

DELICATESSEN DEPT

We will have our famous MEAT PIES, hot for delivery this morning, at 2 for ..... 25¢

CAKE DEPT.

Layer Cakes, our regular 25c size, today ..... 20¢
In Chocolate, Lemon, Caramel, Pineapple, Cocoanut, Peach, Nut, Raspberry and Potato.

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Mission Clocks, regularly $2.00; a few to sell at ..... $1.50 each

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ADVERTISES TOWN.

The value of newspaper advertising to the advertisers, as well as to the newspapers, is of course well known. The value of a well-patronized newspaper as an advertisement to the town is equally certain, though it is not always so well realized. The following comment, from the Stockton Record, illustrates the point:

HOW FRESNO ADVERTISES.

Yesterday's Fresno Republican contained 146 columns of advertising. The Fresno Republican is probably the best edited newspaper in the state and is one of the largest papers published in the interior of California. Its issue of yesterday was a thirty-two-page paper, and yet it was not a special edition. All that in a city that has not so large a population as Stockton, although the country surrounding Fresno is intensely populated. The Fresno Republican is a wonderful reflex of the enterprise of the business men of that city. Yesterday's issue contained big advertisements from nearly fifty of the business houses of that city. The growth of the Fresno Republican in recent years has corresponded to the growth of Fresno enterprise and hustle. A thirty-two-page paper is necessitated by the enterprise of the Fresno merchants and other business people. Judging by yesterday's Republican, an Easterner, for instance, or even a Californian who had never visited Fresno would imagine that city to be as large as Oakland and nearly as large as Los Angeles, and, in a business way it is a large city. Fresno stores have a reputation for doing a bigger business than is done in the stores of any city of Fresno's size in the country. How much that reputation is based on the amount of advertising they do, the Record does not know; but at least that is a valuable reputation for any city to have. The Record congratulates Fresno and the Republican.

There is nothing like putting one's best face forward, and the very fact that Fresno is able to support, and does support, a newspaper of a class usually found only in towns many times its size is not merely a demonstration of prosperity—it is a visible evidence of it whose effect on the visitor, the stranger who sees it elsewhere, and on the state at large, is a distinctly valuable community asset. Other businesses in Fresno have succeeded also; otherwise the Republican could not have succeeded. But the success of the newspaper is the one success most visible abroad, and it is therefore the one that most directly advertises the success of all the others.

UNATTAINABLE.

"Prosperity consists in the raising of wages and the lowering of prices."—Examiner.

To be sure—for the man who draws the wages.

For the man who pays the wages, prosperity consists in the lowering of wages and the raising of prices, with no corresponding decrease in the general purchasing power of the wage-earning public.

For the producer and consumer, prosperity consists in getting more than low freight; for the merchant and the transportation company it consists in high profits and high freights, with no decrease in the traffic. For the farmer it consists in high prices for food and low prices for everything else; for the city-dweller it consists in low prices for food and high prices for everything else.

In fact, for every industrial unit, prosperity consists in getting more than its share, and in giving less than its share. As a business proposition it works, too. That is, any individual, class or group can get more than a due share, provided some one else gets less, and business can be conducted on the basis of a universal struggle for unequal advantages, in which some succeed and the rest fail.

But it is not so simple an economic proposition as it is a business one. Business is not concerned with the general situation, but only with the particular problem of getting more than one shares out of that situation, whatever it is. So business can aspire with success to an individual result which would be economically unthinkable as a general result. A losing business may nevertheless pay high wages, by assessing the stockholders. But industry in general can not pay the whole body of workers more than the next return of their products. An individual business may make inordinate profits, but merchandising in general can not take out of productive industry any more profit than its service as distributor is worth. An individual loan may pay higher interest than the profit the borrower can make with the money, but interest in general can not be higher than the productivity of capital. And while an individual may consume more than he produces, the average consumption can not exceed the average production.

The consequence is that the business world, including capitalist, wage-worker, producer, middleman and consumer is engaged in a universal struggle toward a result in which none can succeed unless some fail. It is a question which the world has not yet solved whether that struggle is better or worse than a situation in which each person or class could get only that which it would be possible for all others under like conditions to obtain.

It is just a little while ago that Maud Fealy was touted as "the youngest leading woman on the stage." She can not be far out of the "youngest" class now, but she has just acquired her second husband with probably plenty more in prospect. 'Tis a gilded age.

FAIR PLAY.

Out of the eater came forth meat. Out of the devourer of men's substance comes their protection. In short, out of the suppressed Tia Juana race track comes the movement to suppress the Juarez track. Harry Brotaski, whose proposed track in Tia Juana was suppressed by the Mexican government, at the request of the State Department, in response to protests from Los Angeles, is now in Washington demanding that the State Department take like action against the track at Juarez.

Here is a reformer whose motives are distinctly under suspicion. He is confessedly a "sorehead" and his purpose is revenge. Nevertheless, it is to be hoped his reform will succeed. The question is the reform, not the motives of its promoter. And there is certainly a reason of comity why the border regions of one country should not be used to nullify the police regulations of another. We recognize that principle (at least we hope the Fresno supervisors do) by establishing a prohibited zone around incorporated cities which have adopted either prohibition or regulations more stringent than the general county regulations. The principle is that if any man wishes to do business in a saloon with the people of a city, he must do it inside of that city, under its laws and regulations. The same thing ought to be true of nations. Juarez, to be sure, may tolerate bull fights and cock pits without calling for our protest. These are local matters, of no effect beyond the immediate neighborhood. But the Juarez race track, like the Honduras lottery, are conducted primarily to do American business. Racing, in modern times is done by telegraph. The race is not primarily between horses, but between your money and the other fellow's money. The horse may run anywhere within telegraphic reach. But, for various reasons, it is impractical to run them in the heart of Mexico for American bets. So they are run right over the border. They were stopped at Tia Juana, and should be stopped at Juarez.

BUSINESS REFORM.

Business is the greatest temperance reformer. The Murphy pledge-signing crusades presumably reformed some, and the modern spread of prohibition has doubtless kept some others out of temptation. Modern saloon regulations, by enforcing decency, sobriety and publicity in saloons, have done much to lessen the social evil of drink, and have probably saved some individual drinkers. But all combined are as nothing, combined with the demand of modern business, that men shall stay sober or lose their jobs.

One of the most recent overt steps is the action reported from Portland of the Hill roads, in passing out the word that these railroads do not want in their employ men who drink at all. Railroading is an exceptional sort of work—the sort that requires an absolutely clear head and steady nerve at all times, with the probable penalty of killing a lot of people, should that steadiness fail at a critical moment. So the railroads are all working toward the standard that their employes must not drink at all, on or off duty. It is none too high a standard. Men who regard its enforcement as an unwarrantable interference with their personal liberty have the privilege of engaging in some other occupation, where the requirements are less exacting. But even in these, they are likely to find this variety of personal liberty considerably curtailed. Other business may not require total abstinence at all times, on or off duty. But they do require absolute sobriety at all times; usually total abstinence during business hours, and abstention from habitual saloon loafing. The pace of modern business is too swift and too steady for drink-befuddled brains.

TELEPHONE CASE IS TO BE APPEALED

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 14.—The city attorney was authorized by the council today to join with Pasadena and carry the case of the city of Pomona against the Sunset Telephone Company to the Supreme court. Pomona, Los Angeles and Pasadena took the case to the Circuit Court of Appeals and a decision was rendered adverse to Pomona. Pomona now wishes to quiet the case. The case involves the matter of franchises for all public utility corporations. The telephone company contends it has the right to put up its poles or excavate the streets under its state franchise without securing permits from the city or paying the city any revenue.

A number of other municipalities of the state are interested.

MURDERER BROUGHT DOWN FROM ALASKA

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 14.—J. W. Mac Namara, at one time prominent in the Northwest, was brought down from Alaska and taken to the federal prison on McNeills Island today to serve a fifteen-year term for the murder of A. Carpenter, a hotel keeper at Cordova, last May.

Mac Namara was a prominent character in Seattle, Portland and other cities of the Northwest a few years ago. While in Seattle he was a leader in ward politics. Before coming here he lived at Portland, Oregon, where he was exalted ruler of the Elks lodge.

DENNETT PLANS THE CENSUS WORK

STOCKTON, Dec. 14.—L. L. Dennett of Modesto, supervisor of census for the sixth district, came to stockton today to look over work of creating census districts for the federal enumeration of population. He believes it will facilitate the work to make census districts of the established voting precincts but is not decided as to that. Census enumerators will be chosen after examination later on.

CHARGED WITH BIGAMY.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 14.—Frank Wilson, a laundry worker, was arrested here today and charged with bigamy. Two women, each claiming to be his lawful wife, are in this city. One says that she was married to him in Coos Bay, Ore., 1905, and that she never has been divorced. The other he married here about a year ago and he was living with her when arrested today.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE IS TO BE CONSIDERED

Recommendations Assigned to Various Congressional Committees.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Taking up the president's annual message to Congress, the House of Representatives today went through the formality of referring it and distributing it among the various committees.

Payne, who brought in the resolution for reference, offered an amendment providing that those paragraphs relating to appropriations be referred to what he designated as the "sleeping" committees on departmental expenditures of which there is one for each department.

Explaining his amendment, Payne said:

"For the first time in my recollection, a President in wise and well chosen words has pointed out the necessity of economy in expenditure in the various government departments."

When Fitzgerald of New York interrupted Payne to question him about the amendment, the Republican leader sharply exclaimed:

"The gentleman from New York can never get rid of the idea that some one is trying to hoodwink somebody."

"I am sorry my colleague can never get rid of the idea of trying to befoozle somebody with his resolutions," was Fitzgerald's retort.

The amendment and the resolutions were adopted.

Warning of the nation's unpreparedness for war was given by Representative Hobson of Alabama in an extended speech for a more liberal naval policy. His colleague, Richardson, made a speech of more than an hour's duration in advocacy of a liberal waterways policy, particularly affecting the Mississippi river and its tributaries. Representative McDermott of Illinois spoke briefly in favor of free wood pulp.

The District of Columbia appropriation bill, carrying an appropriation of more than ten million dollars for expenses of the district in the fiscal year of 1911, was reported, as were also several invalid pension bills. The latter were read and passed.

The House today agreed to take recess next Tuesday for over the holidays, voting to reconvene on Tuesday, January 4th.

At 2:47 p .m. the house adjourned until tomorrow.

BROKAW WAS FIRST TO SUGGEST DIVORCE

House Party at Which He Was Not Present Has Aroused Anger.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—It developed in the trial of the divorce suit of Mrs. W. Gould Brokaw that it was her husband who first threatened to sue.

A telegram from him to Mrs. Blair, his mother-in-law, was the medium of this information and it also contained his version of the incident that assumed the greatest importance in today's session of the trial. The telegram follows:

"I have closed my house and am sorry to say I must sue Mary for a separation. Her act, culminating in a house party last Sunday night, forced me to this step. She entertained three ladies and three men that day. Two of the ladies I do not approve of and the third I do not know at all. I don't know the men. She allowed one of the men to occupy my bed room over night after putting my nurse and one lady in bachelor's quarters. She refused to give me the names of the men in spite of my request."

A HOUSE PARTY.

John F. McIntyre, Brokaw's lawyer, began drilling into all the attendant circumstances of this "culminating house party," with great circumstantiality. Mrs. Brokaw parried his questions as skillfully as ever, but showed some agitation over the insistence laid on the personality of "Bunnie" Wells, one of the guests.

Mrs. Brokaw testified that she had met Wells in Baltimore five years before his visit to her husband's home in company with Miss Dennison of Syracuse, N. Y., Mrs. Frank Gould and another man whom Mrs. Brokaw only remembered as a "Mr. Thompson."

McIntyre was desirous to know how the upstairs rooms of the house were arranged and what rooms she occupied on the night of the party.

"Wasn't Mr. Brokaw's room connected with yours?" he asked.

"No, the door from Mr. Brokaw's room opened on the hall.

"And did it not open so near the door of your room, that from your door you could have shaken hands with a person standing in the other?"

"I never tried, Mr. McIntyre."

"Well, now, where did you assign Miss Dennison to sleep?"

"In Mr Brokaw's room."

"Wasn't there some change? Wasn't Mr. Wells finally given that room?"

"Yes."

"Did Mr. Wells come to prepare to stay all night?"

"I think he did."

Mrs. Brokaw was excused from the stand after five days of testimony. Her counsel intimated that he would soon produce nurses, maids and other witnesses to corroborate Mrs. Brokaw's stories of broken doors and uproarious nights.

COURT AWARDS WATER TO CITY

Los Angeles Wins in Supreme Court Litigation Over San Fernando Valley Rights.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 14.—After years of litigation the city of Los Angeles has established its right to the water in the subterranean lake equal in area to the San Fernando valley, whose rich agricultural soil covers it. The municipality follows this conquest with the announcement through its board of water commissioners, that the right will probably never be enforced.

The Supreme Court, in a decision written by Judge Henshaw and concurred in by all except the presiding justice, holds that this subterranean lake is the source and wholly a part of the Los Angeles river and as such its waters are exclusively the legal possession of the city of Los Angeles.

The water rights thus given the city are worth millions.

$50,000 FOR YALE.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 14.—At a meeting of the Yale corporation today a gift of $50,000 from Mrs. Morris K. Jessup was received. The gift will be used to complete the fund for the Morris K. Jessup chair in the forestry school.

UNITED STATES MAY GO TO WAR

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PRAIRIE READY TO SAIL.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—With the arrival this afternoon of a detachment of marines from Boston completing the complement of 700 ordered to sail on the United States transport Prairie for Colon, everything is in readiness for the sailing of that vessel tomorrow afternoon.

GOES TO MEXICO.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Senor Felipe Rodriguez, charge of the Nicaraguan legation, who recently received his passports from Secretary Knox called at the State Department today to say farewell as he intends to leave Washington tomorrow for Mexico. The retiring officer saw Assistant Secretary Wilson and had a confidential talk regarding the state of affairs in Nicaragua.

FOUR MEN KILLED.

SAN JUAN DEL SUR, Nic., Dec. 14.—A small party of revolutionists led by General Morales attacked Orosi, which is in the extreme northwest of Costa Rica, a few miles from the borders of Lake Nicaragua. This place was defended by twenty men, four of whom were killed. The rest retired.

According to advices received here, General Morales was seriously wounded. After the engagement the victorious revolutionists burned the houses and pushed forward.

No news has reached here from Rama for three days. Telegraphic communication is interrupted.

BIG WATER RIGHT DEAL TO BE MADE

STOCKTON, Dec. 14.—The board of directors of the South San Joaquin irrigation district, comprising 60,000 acres recently organized, today adopted a resolution accepting the offer of the Oakdale district directors for the right to purchase a half interest in the Tullock water rights and system of ditches, for which the sellers ask $650,000. The two districts have ninety days' time to close the purchase, but to do so must decide by vote of the landowners in a called convention.

The Tullock system supplies water for the south section of San Joaquin county and claims a system of 180 miles of canals. Water is taken from the Stanislaus river six miles above Knight's Ferry and the rights date back to 1863 for irrigation and 1857 for power.

COOLER AIR BETTER FOR SCHOOL ROOMS

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Lower temperature in all the public schools, thorough airings of class rooms several times a day and a general campaign for better health conditions for the children will result from the experiment of "cold air" rooms at the Graham school and the Mary Crane Nursery. This was announced yesterday by Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, superintendent, after she, a staff of physicians and several district superintendents had visited both schools and given their hearty approval to the scheme.

RECRUITS FOR SUFFRAGETTES.

NEW YORK, December 14.—Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, president of the Colony Club, has joined the Equal Franchise Society. So have Mrs. James A. Stillman, Jr., and Mrs. Gertrude Atherton. More than forty other names also have been added to the membership roll in the last week and among these latest recruits are a large number of trained nurses and presidents of nurses' alumnae associations.

COUNTERFEITED MONEY TO BUY CHRISTMAS GIFTS

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—A desire to get money with which to buy Christmas presents is the excuse given by two men who admit counterfeiting dollars, half dollars and five cent pieces.

George Saiaob and John R. Ryszko were the men arrested yesterday.

"I got into this scheme," Ryszko told Captain Porter, 'so I could get money to buy Christmas presents for my family. I did not intend staying in it."

ARCHITECTS COMING TO COAST.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14. — The American Institute of Architects today voted unanimously to hold its next convention on the Pacific coast. San Francisco, Los Angeles, Seattle and Portland were all considered, the board of directors to decide which it shall be.

KODAKS

And photo supplies at Buker & Colson's. Phone Main 87.

The Edgerly Building will have the finest and most convenient office rooms. Will be ready January 1st. Inquire Pearson, 1944 Tulare St.

Dr. Sarah Pugh, Osteopathic Physician, 150 Forsyth Bldg. Main 483.

LOS ANGELES WOULD ANNEX MORE PEOPLE

Seeks to Pile Up 350,000 Population Before the Next Census.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 14.—If plans now developing under the management of the city attorney and prominent citizens of suburbs that want to join the Greater City, Los Angeles soon will add 15,000 more to its total of population before the census enumerators begin their work and will be that much nearer the great advertising prize which will accrue to the city that can show the greatest growth in the last ten years.

Competition in this line is keen between several cities on the Pacific coast where the most marvelous growth has occurred during the decade now closing. If Los Angeles passes the 350,000 mark in the coming census it will have recorded a 250 per cent increase in population since 1900—a world's record.

In striving to attain this mark, the city has already annexed two coast towns with 7000 population. A foothill city, Hollywood with 6000 more, is ready to come in and the territory now figuring out the details and advantages of concentration contains 15,000 more.

These towns and settlements are Bairdstown, Arroyo Seco, Eagle Rock Valley, New York Valley, Annandale, Belvidor, Rose Hill and East Hollywood. The first four are in the populous district adjacent to Pasadena and the rest are near Hollywood, which is certain to join the greater city.

CHICAGO NOT KIND AS TRAMPS THOUGHT

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Twenty tramps who had crept into Judge Beitler's court room at the Harrison street police station and slept there Sunday night, were fined $20 each yesterday.

The trumps came to Chicago from far and near, because, they said, the word had gone out that this city was kind to homeless wanderers.

A Woman's Back

The Aches and Pains Will Disappear if the Advice of This Fresno Citizen is Followed.

A woman's back has many aches and pains.

Most times 'tis the kidney's fault.

Backache is really kidney ache;

That's why Doan's Kidney Pills cure it.

Many Fresno women know this.

Read what one has to say about it:

Mrs. Estelle Frederick, 1335 Day Street, Fresno, Cal. says: "It gives me great pleasure to state that I was entirely relieved of a most obstinate case of backache and kidney trouble by Doan's Kidney Pills. I was bothered for a long time by pains in my back, frequent headaches and a feeling of languor and depression. My kidneys also gave me a great deal of trouble, the secretions being much too frequent in passage. I used two boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills, procured at Buker & Colson's drug store, and they cured me after other remedies had failed to even give relief."

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Competent Officers and a Strong Board of Directors are a guarantee to every customer of this bank that his business will receive careful and prompt attention.

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Capital $150,000
Surplus and profits (earned) $33,000

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Old King Cole was a jolly old soul,
But not so merry as they
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December as pleasant as May.
Ask the consumer of the vague rumor
Of a coal that makes winter a myth.
He'll say it is true, and all honor due
To the gem sought of all, both great and small
"American Block,"
Stored Sunshine, Earth's Treasure for all
Whence comes this coal can make a merry soul
When zero's the weather man's tune?

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The gifts preferred by both donors and recipients are those for personal use or personal adornment. With them the giver places himself, as it were, in the constant presence of the recipient. And when it is considered that to this element of personal contact is added that durability which pertains to gold and silver and gems, we find good reason for the world-old choice of the precious metals or gems, or the two combined, as gifts for all occasions, especially at this season of Christmas.

Our aim is to offer original designs, so that their beauty and exclusiveness are beyond question. And considering quality we know our prices are just and reasonable.

The Warner Company

1929-1931 MARIPOSA ST.

Now is the time to buy your winter shoes; now, while our

"End of the Year" Clean-Up Sale

Is In Progress

Substantial reductions on all our high-grade, well-known makes, such as Packard, Stacy Adams and Williams-Kneeland for men, and Wichert and Gardiner, E. P. Reed & Co., and Menihan & Co. for women. You know these makes, and you know that they are the best produced by modern shoe makers.

This is your chance to save money, and at the same time get the best there is, in the shoe world.

All of E. P. Reed & Co.'s high-grade shoes; values up to $4; all styles; now selling for.... $3.00

The Menihan shoe for ladies; regular $3.50 values; in button or lace; patent or plain leather; selling now for $2.50

The Packard shoe; best medium priced shoe made; all styles; all leathers; always sells for $4.00 and $4.50; now selling for $3.50

Women's overgaiters, that usually sell for $1; now 50c

Misses' overgaiters, that usually sell for 50c; now 25c

Infants' soft sole shoes, the 50c kind, now..25c

High cut boots with waterproof uppers and viscolised soles, worth $5.00 and $5.50, selling now for ..... $4.00 and $4.50

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During the past year the demand for capable bookkeepers and stenographers has been in very great excess of the supply.

Heald's Business College

has not been able to fill one-half the demand in Fresno and neighboring towns. The young man or young woman who takes a course in our school will not be disappointed.

We now have a full school. Almost two hundred students in attendance now and others are entering every week.

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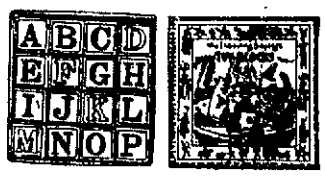
"ARKAY" CORSETS 50c.

Sale of Toy Blocks Today



Every Desirable Kind and Price

Toy Blocks 5c

Toy Blocks—Natural wood, printed in contrasting colors; nine cubes packed in neat box; new designs; special, per box.....5¢

Fine Box Toy Blocks 10c

Toy Blocks—16 pieces; size of each piece 1 5-16x1 5-16x10-16; rolled in attractive and contrasting colors; embossed effects on natural wood; in neat boxes at .....10¢

Cameo Toy Blocks at 15c

16 blocks; designs in Cameo and letters in embossed outline; rolled with red; very attractive blocks; packed in strong glazed paper boxes and specially priced at.....15¢

Burnt Wood Blocks at 25c

16 cubes; the original burnt wood blocks; natural wood with exquisite Cameo effects; also burnt impressions of letters, numerals, animals, etc; not only the names of the animals, but their habits and characteristics are shown; special at 25¢

Large Natural Wood Blocks at 60c

16 cubes; large size natural wood; embossed ends and sides; painted in two colors; 25 alphabetical illustrations; letters and numerals; in solid wood frame box; special at .....60¢

"Mother Goose" Blocks $1.00

Twenty cubes; "Hill" finish; red ends, white sides; varnished and waterproofed; the ever popular "Mother Goose" rhymes; with suitable illustrations; in wood framed box; handsomely finished with glazed or vari-colored paper; special $1.00

Architectural Blocks

Stone work finish on the reverse of brick blocks; durable, instructive and beautiful; neatly packed in stout boxes; good assortment.
Box Architectural Blocks, 24 pieces; special .....25¢
Box Architectural Blocks, 46 pieces; special .....65¢
Box Architectural Blocks, 92 pieces; special $1.25
Box Architectural Blocks, 200 pieces; special $2.75

Architectural Wagon Blocks $1.25

Architectural Wagon Blocks; wagon painted in bright colors; blocks neatly embossed; very instructive toy for the little folks; special at $1.25

AT THE SILK COUNTER

4-yard Silk Waist Patterns $1.75

A splendid Xmas gift; 4-yard patterns of Silk suitable for waists; endless variety and colors; regular 75c to 85c a yard; special today, 4-yard waist patterns $1.75

$3.50 and $4.00 Bearskin Coating $2.69

An excellent quality of wide Bearskin Coating in full range of all the wantable colors; fancy weaves; worth $3.50 to $4.00 a yard, on special sale for today at $2.69

Black Muffler Silk 89c

A very fine grade of Black Muffler Silk, 24 inches wide; just the right weight and quality for mufflers, scarfs, etc; the usual $1.00 grade on sale today for.....89¢

A Great Holiday Waist Sale

$6.50 Silk Jersey, Net, Taffeta and Messaline Silk Waists $2.98

This morning at nine you have your choice of 70 swell Taffeta, Messaline and Jersey Silk and Net Waists, at $2.98. They are all new, this season's styles, and worth from $5.00 to $6.50 each. This is without doubt one of the best silk waist bargains ever offered; all sizes, all colors, when the sale starts.

$2.98

Full line of Boys', Children's and Young Men's Holiday Headwear. Every new fad and novelty of the season; at our usual popular price; much less than like qualities could be purchased for elsewhere.

SHOES

Infants' 75c Kid Shoes 49c

Infants' Vici Kid Shoes with patent leather tips and soft glove kid uppers; made with hand turned soles in all sizes from 2 to 6 1-2; a 75c quality; special .....49¢

Sale of Boys' Calf School Shoes

Boys' nobby box calf school shoes, made on the new romper last with extension soles; all solid leather throughout; a good wet weather shoe.
Sizes 9 to 13 1-2. Special..$1.25
Sizes 1 to 2. Special.....$1.50
Sizes 2 1-2 to 5 1-2. Special $1.75

Ladies' 75c Waterproof Spats 49c

Ladies' all wool waterproof spats; made with 6 buttons; come in black, brown and green; the regular 75c quality, for tomorrow, special 49¢

FURNISHINGS

Men's Black Silk Mufflers

Men's black silk reefers; 54 inches long and cut extra wide; made from an extra heavy surah silk; soft and comfortable. Special today at..$1
Better grades at
$1.50, $2, $2.50 and $3.50

Men's Fancy Suspenders

Very large assortment of Men's Silk Web Suspenders, with fancy trimmings, in single boxes, suitable for presents, at
75¢, $1, $1.50, $2, $2.50

Men's New Neckwear 50c

New arrival of Men's Neckwear; all the latest colorings and designs, in pure silk fabrics; new shapes in four-in-hands, club and string ties; beautiful new showing. Special values at.....50¢, 75¢ and $1.00

DOMESTICS

15c Bleached Muslin for 12 1-2c

36-inch Bleached Muslin; extra fine quality; long cloth weave; a splendid material for ladies' underwear; free from dressing; worth 15c a yard. Special for today at .....12 1-2¢

45x36 Pillow Slips Special 12 1-2c

45x36-inch Pillow Slips; made of extra good quality muslin, with 3-inch top hem; soft finish; fine for everyday use; an extra good value. Special for today .....12 1-2¢

27-inch Outing Flannel at 8c

A big assortment of 27-inch Outing Flannels; in a large range of patterns; best washing colors; splendid quality for underwear and general purposes; for today's selling at .....8¢

FANCY GOODS SPECIALS

Madeira Embroidery, $2.00 Kind 98c

18-inch Madeira Embroidery in corset cover designs; most beautiful designs; cannot be told from the hand work; 9 different patterns for selection; fine for Xmas gifts; worth up to $2.00 a yard; special at .....98¢

Madeira Embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs 25c

Magnificent Hand Embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs; in the new Madeira embroidery; the very latest thing; exquisite designs; worth 50c; each .....25¢

Fancy Neckwear 25c and 50c

We are showing an endless variety of Ladies' Fancy Neckwear in Holiday effects; all the very latest styles and in every wantable color; collars, bows, jabots, etc; unique affairs; special at .....25¢ and 50¢

Ladies' $3.00 Silk Hose $2.19

A magnificent grade of Ladies' Pure Silk Hosiery; in black, tan, gray, light blue and pink; with heavy rich embroidered designs; the regular $3.00 quality, special at $2.19

Genuine Gun Metal Hat Pins 68c

The latest novelty—genuine gun-metal Hat Pins, in very pretty shapes, with extra long stout pins; a regular $1.00 value, on special sale for.....68¢

In the Juvenile Department Today

Boys' Box Overcoats $2.59

Nobby Box Overcoats for boys or girls 2 1-2 to 6 years; in good serviceable materials; well made and lined; best seasonable colors; a dandy value for the money; good selection $2.59

Young Men's Long Pants Suits $7.50

Young Men's Long Pants Suits in new and up-to-date fabrics and models; nicely tailored and perfect fitting garments; suits that you could not duplicate for anything near the price elsewhere; on special sale for today in the juvenile department; ages 12 to 18; special.....$7.50

Choice of any Trimmed Hat in the house, regardless of cost or value, to close $3.98

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WEATHER CONDITIONS

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—The following maximum and minimum temperatures are reported from Eastern stations for previous day:

Chicago 34-28; New York 50-38; Omaha 58-36.

Forecast; San Joaquin valley: Fair on Wednesday, warmer; light north wind.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

The eastern storm is now passing to sea off the New England coast, having given precipitation during the last 24 hours over the northern half of the United States between the Rockies and the Atlantic coast. Considerable amounts of precipitation are reported on the Atlantic coast from Virginia northward, much of it probably being in the form of snow. Reports from the South Atlantic and Gulf states are missing generally this morning.

The barometer continues to rise over the northern portion of the Pacific slope and temperatures have fallen somewhat over this area. Dense clouds continue in the San Joaquin valley and there is likely to be more or less cloudiness in Fresno and vicinity tonight and Wednesday, but if the crest of the high area should move southward the clouds would probably dissipate.

W. D. FULLER, Local Forecaster.

Air temperature	47
Highest temperature yesterday	51
Lowest temperature yesterday	42
Humidity (percentage of)	77
Wind N.W. (mi. per hr.)	1
Today's rainfall	.0
Rainfall to date	6.99

Fair Wednesday.

LOCAL BREVITIES

Hollands' specials
Today are money savers.
See ad.

Finest offices in the Edgerly Bldg.

Ask for Danish Creamery butter.

Dr. Cory, dentist, over Hollands.'

Dr. O. S. Doyle, Land Co. Bldg.

Sunflower seed. Hobbs-Parsons Seed Co

Willow wood $5 per cord delivered. Phone Main 49.

Dry oak wood, $7 delivered, any part of city. Main 1719

McKittrick hairdressing parlors. Hair goods, combings made up. 1933 Mariposa.

Keep your valuables in a safe deposit box at Fresno National bank. Costs $2 a year.

The Calaveras Improvement club will meet tomorrow evening at the residence of H. J. McFarland.

Edgerly Building will be ready for occupancy January 1st. Office for rent. See Pearson, 1914 Tulare street.

Wells Fargo & Co. will discontinue wagon calls for shipments forwarded from December 17th to 27th, inclusive.

The regular mid-week prayer meeting at the Y. M. C. A. will be held today at 12:20. Afterward a lunch will be served.

Christmas Gifts for men at Nyman Levy's, exclusive gent's furnisher and hatter, 1936 Mariposa st. See windows.

When you do your Christmas shopping, don't forget to make a Christmas present of your Kutner coupons to the Y. W. C. A.

A representative of the Red Cross society is selling Red Cross Christmas stamps at the postoffice this week and next.

Hog feed $30 ton. Caproco oil cake. Caproco Oil cake meal. California Products Co., south end O street and Butler avenue.

A choice collection of Oriental rugs are on exhibition at the Parlor Lecture Club. The hall open daily from 1 to 9 p. m. All are cordially invited.

Don't forget the grand masquerade ball given by the Fresno Dancing Academy, Armory hall, Wednesday, December 15. Prize waltz. Prizes in Graff's window.

Ladies' Aid of the North Side Christian church is holding its bazaar at Mrs. W. E. Patterson's, 131 Forthcamp, this afternoon and evening and tomorrow afternoon. Please call.

Maccabee dance: Don't forget to attend the dance in A. O. U. W. hall this, Wednesday, evening, given by the Ladies and Knights of the Maccabees. Music by Reits. Admission, gents 25c; ladies free.

J. L. Taylor, chief inspector of the American Railway association, will be in Fresno Friday and in the evening will deliver a lecture on the handling of explosives. The lecture is intended for railroad men, expressmen and the like.

Fire smouldering in the roof of a wooden building on M street between Tulare and Kern, called out the department shortly after 6 o'clock last night. The flames were extinguished without damage.

Supervisor Johnson presided yesterday at the meeting of the board. Chairman Martin has gone with Deputy County Surveyor Harrold and Contractor R. F. Ball to inspect the Kellogg road grade in the Elkhorn country on the West side, which Ball has reported completed.

They have again had the laugh in the court house on the supervisors, because after accepting the elevator and ordering the last payment on the contract they were stuck again in the race in depreciating after adjournment on Monday evening. The electric current gave out and the motor stopped.

The Woman's Missionary society of the Cumberland Presbyterian church will meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the residence of Mrs. E. E. Sims, corner of Forthcamp and Olive avenues. After the business meeting a social hour will be enjoyed to which all the ladies of the church are invited. Mrs. Williams, the pastor's wife, will assist Mrs. Sims in receiving the ladies.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Harris left yesterday afternoon on a visit to the south to be away until February 1st. They will make their longest stay at Nashville, the former home of the Harrises, also visiting relatives in Memphis and New Orleans and at Dallas, Texas, on the homeward journey. The journey marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Harris made their last previous Eastern visit in 1893 going as far as Canada, New York and Washington.

H. A. Sessions, the Kerman rancher, was a passenger to Los Angeles last night.

"Father" J. D. McGill, the San Francisco railroad man, was a visitor in Fresno yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Stock and Attorney Lewis H. Smith went to Los Angeles last night.

H. W. Swift was a passenger to San Francisco last night.

DIED

SKHER—In this city, December 14, 1909, Anna Seher, a native of Russia, aged 2 years.

The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon from the German Lutheran church, corner L and Ventura streets.

POOL ROOM OPERATOR DIES.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Harry A. Perry, widely known in Chicago as a partner in the Smith-Perry-White combination that operated the pool room boat City of Traverse, died today.

Louis Einstein & Co.
FRESNO'S MOST PROGRESSIVE STORE

Our Closing Out Sale

Makes Your Holiday Money Do Double Duty

Your money goes farther now than ever before. The newest and highest quality merchandise and gives you a big profit on purchases. This is our final bargain sale and it's the grandest value-giving event we have ever presented to the people of this vicinity. It is a veritable bargain feast, and we are greatly pleased to see that it is appreciated and is being taken advantage of by the residents of this valley from one end to the other.

Every line of Holiday Goods is spread before you at immense reductions in prices. All ready-to-wear apparel is being sacrificed at prices far below wholesale cost. Housefurnishings of every description can be bought here now at savings never equaled.

Every single article in every department is deeply cut in price, the only exception being spool cotton. It's the first time in the history of the valley that a stock of merchandise of the quality and desirability, and of the size of the one gathered in this big store, has been thrown out upon the public at such great price advantages as Our Retiring From Business Sale presents now. And if the thousands who crowd the store daily are a criterion, the saving advantages of buying heavily now are well understood and all are sharing the money-saving chance.

Christmas Handkerchiefs

Come here for your Christmas Handkerchiefs. Assortments are large and our Handkerchiefs are the finest and daintiest kinds ever made, and all are largely reduced in price. There was never such a shower of bargains in Christmas Handkerchiefs. Come and pick at the earliest possible moment.

Toys at Great Savings

Our Toyland is one of the busiest places in the store. Thousands of Christmas stockings for boys and girls will be filled with toys and dolls from here. And thousands of mothers and fathers will count the savings they have made by getting them here. We've got a wonderfully big and complete Toy Store, and everything is being sold at prices far below those ever put on toys and dolls that come up to these in newness and quality. And in addition to this, our big sale reduces these low prices 20 Per Cent. It's no wonder the toy business of the town is being done here.

Choosing is best now. Don't wait. Come today.

Pocket Knives and Razors at a 1-3 Saving

Half the large stock of Pocket Knives and Razors placed on sale yesterday in our Hardware Department at **One-third Off the Regular Prices** was sold. Today we want to close out the remainder. It's the best chance ever offered for a man to get a fine pocket knife or a razor cheap. Every knife and razor of the highest grade, and we offer them at less than manufacturers cost.

One-third Off Regular Prices. Come Early.

IN THE LODGE ROOM

W. O. W.

One candidate was elected to membership last night. It was with pleasure that there were no new cases of sickness reported, and that those who are sick are doing as well as could be expected. The committee that has the arranging of the oyster supper for next Tuesday reported that there will be oysters and mince pies in plenty. Mr. Leek of the sovereign jurisdiction was present and made a few remarks. George Burwell reported that he had recently visited San Diego camp and was well pleased with the reception he received. Mr. Burwell was so glad to get back to Manzanita camp that he brought the members a present of a nice box of doughnuts and cream puffs. The Bonner brothers had a few remarks that were appreciated by all. The members received an invitation to visit the bazaar to be held in Einstein hall on Friday and Saturday of this week by Acacia Circle. Mr. Sessions, who was for a long time principal of the truant school, was on hand and made a nice little talk. A report was received from Bakersfield that the camp had initiated 30 candidates and is after more. One candidate for membership in the sick benefit fund department was received and elected.

Raisin City Lodge No. 382, will hold an open meeting this evening. All members and friends are cordially invited. Three piece orchestra for dancing.

FRATERNAL AID

At the regular meeting of the Fraternal Aid association last night, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Grace Pickford, president; Rose Hills, vice president; R. W. Rice, secretary; A. D. Olney, treasurer; Dr. G. L. Long, physician; Mary Cain, chaplain; May Rice, guard; T. Q. Pickford, observer; E. A. Payton, sentinel; C. E. Bates, trustee.

After the election of officers, the members of the lodge surprised R. W. Rice, the present secretary and his wife with a banquet in honor of the closing of the tenth year of Mr. Rice's services as secretary. A cream pitcher and sugar bowl were also presented to Mr. and Mrs. Rice. Installation of officers will be held during the first meeting in January.

FORTY HURT IN WRECK.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 14.—The Canadian Northern Express was wrecked 100 miles east of here early today, injuring 40 persons. Most of these were American settlers on their way to their old homes for Christmas.

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The Vulcan Red Cone Gas Heater

"Heats like a furnace." Gives more heat with less gas consumption than any heater on the market. With this heater you can warm a room in but a fraction of the time required by a coal or wood stove.

AGENTS.

DONAHOO-EMMONS & CO.

Social and Club News

There was a jolly little party of bridge enthusiasts gathered at the home of Miss Edith Hayden yesterday afternoon to enjoy a pleasant round of bridge. It was quite an informal affair, confined to the more intimate friends of the young hostess, and was thoroughly enjoyed. Miss Granger won the prize for high score. The rooms were prettily decorated in red roses and holly berries. After the games delicious refreshments were served. Those who enjoyed Miss Hayden's hospitality were: Mrs. Frank Ryan of Los Angeles, Mrs. W. W. Craycroft, Mrs. Frank Warner, Mrs. Creighton Hamilton, Mrs. Harry Craycroft, Mrs. Arthur Perkins, Miss Vivian Juares of Napa, Miss Lilian Dunn, Miss Marguerite Van Franken, Misses Granger, Miss Helen Jacobson, Miss Zoe Eden, Miss Georgia Clark, Miss Lewella Swift, Miss Jennie Wishon.

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Miss Nan Duff, a most charming Kentucky girl, has arrived to spend the winter with her cousin and his wife, Dr. and Mrs. R. B. Cockrill. Miss Duff's brother, Howard Duff, spent several years in Fresno, and will be very pleasantly remembered, so that his sister will be warmly welcomed by his friends as well as by the friends of her host and hostess.

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The Wednesday Afternoon Card club will play its usual rounds of bridge this afternoon with Miss Helen Jacobson.

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Miss Gertrude Swift is expected home on Saturday from Huntington Hall in Los Angeles to spend the Christmas vacation with her mother, Mrs. L. P. Swift.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lee L. Gray left last night for San Francisco to attend the opening of the new Palace Hotel. Mrs. John D. Gray and her sister, Mrs. Hamlin, arrived from Los Angeles a day or two ago and accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Lee Gray to San Francisco last night.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frederick M. Miller have gone to San Francisco for the remainder of the week. Miss Eugenia Miller expects to join them there in a day or two.

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The members of the Tako Embroidery club enjoyed a very delightful meeting yesterday afternoon with Mrs. James E. Long on Calaveras avenue. The hostess asked a few additional guests to participate in the pleasure of the occasion.

The red and green of the Yuletide colors were used in the decoration of the living room, which was bright with bowls of red roses and garlands of smilax. The guests spent a busy afternoon putting finishing touches on various holiday gifts while they chatted. The hostess in conclusion served a very dainty repast. Besides the club members there were present Mrs. Mollie Estes, Mrs. G. G. Murray and Mrs. P. J. Hygelund. The club members present were Mrs. Lee West, J. E. Boughton, Robert McCourt, John Bartram, A. K. Dick, J. E. Strahan, W. White, A. C. Mudge, A. L. Stinson, E. K. Bellfils, C. B. Hanner.

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Miss Freda Oluts expects to have as a holiday visitor, Miss Mizpah Manuel, a very attractive Stockton society girl, who has made a number of warm friends here on previous visits. She will arrive after Christmas in time for the holiday festivities of which there are to be a number. Miss Oluts will give two affairs during Christmas week. On the evening of December 29th she will entertain in honor of Mr. and Mrs. William W. Wharton, who have recently returned from their honeymoon. Sharing honors with them will be Miss Manuel. On the following evening Miss Oluts will again be hostess at an affair for the college students of her acquaintance who are to be at home then.

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This afternoon the ladies of Memorial Circle of the First Baptist church are to hold a bazaar at the home of Mrs. J. F. Cowan on Abby street. There are to be a number of pretty articles of fancy work offered for sale, besides refreshments and a fish pond.

A program will be given during the afternoon.

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The regular meeting of the Memorial Circle of the Baptist church will be held this afternoon at the residence of Mrs. J. F. Cowan on Abby street. A short program will be rendered, after which refreshments will be served. The program is as follows:

Piano solo, Mrs. Claude Cowan; reading, Mrs. George Smith; solo, Miss Sweeney; reading, Miss Carmichael; vocal solo, Mrs. Thomas Berry.

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The great aim of religion should be to have a soul that is worth saving. A farmer's chief aim is not to harvest his crop, but to so cultivate his crop that it will be worth harvesting. An artist's chief aim is not the insuring of his pictures against loss by fire, but the painting of pictures that are worth the insuring. And in religion we need to realize more and more that development is to be encouraged more than damnation is to be avoided. Build large your character. Make strong your soul. Develop the best in your life. Engage in high enterprise for God and the good. For such the word damnation has neither meaning nor menace.

J. A. CRUZAN,
Field Agent.

CROWDS WILL ATTEND "QUEEN OF COMEDY" AND "HAPPIE OF THE CHORUS"

Lionel Dalton, the well known local playwright whose plays will be produced at the Empire theater Friday night.

Friday night will be a gala night at the Empire theater. Already the seat sale has been immense and from all outlooks the cosy little play house will be crowded to its capacity.

Fresno's cleverest amateur performers will appear before the footlights in two very pretty plays. These young people have spared no work or efforts in getting up an evening's entertainment that will long be remembered in this city. There is no question but what both plays will be put on in a professional manner, as heavy rehearsals have been going on for some time under the direction of Mr. George Osbourne.

One of the most talked of features of the evening will be the specialty serpentine dance. Miss Bonnie Carter has been drilling a group of seven pretty young ladies for this dance. They are the Misses Hazel Cartwright, Elka Wormser, Mona Robertson, Mila Cearley, Ruth Norris, Bernice Olney and Marguerite Rodell.

The entertainment is for the benefit of the Fresno County Humane Society and the management and musicians are lending every aid to make the performance an immense success.

By Friday night it is expected that there will be standing room only to witness the evening's performance.

CHIEFS GIVE WARNINGS AGAINST CHRISTMAS SEASON FIRES

Follow These Rules and There Will Be Few Alarm Calls.

On No Account Try to Beat Out Flames Burning a Person's Clothing.

Fire Chief Wintemute and Assistant Baird have been thinking of the Christmas holiday season, not so much whether they will be swamped with presents as whether they will escape all the Christmas entertainments in schools, churches and private homes without any alarms of fire and children and adults being injured and blistered by burns.

They have been reading also "Insurance Engineering," which is the fireman's Bible, and have had impressed on their minds how big fires are started by trivial causes or agencies at these Christmas entertainments by the candles on the trees when too close to the whiskers of Santa Claus or the cottony snow flakes on his Arctic costume.

The two chiefs concluded that the holiday season behooved them to give the public warning on these lines and so they collaborated in a literary effusion. The following is the result of their joint reading and effort as a Christmas holiday warning against the danger of fires:

Christmas dangers—Carlessness in the arrangement of Christmas decorations in stores, churches, schools and private homes is responsible largely for fires during the holiday season and public safety requires that attention be directed at this time to some of the more common dangers, because they can be so readily guarded against.

Store window decorations—Cotton batting, colored paper and such light fabrics of a highly inflammable character should not be used as decorations, unless they have been dipped in a chemical solution to make them noncombustible. Too much care in this respect cannot be exercised in the matter of proper electric wiring. Gas jets should be protected by a globe, chimney or screen and all inflammable material should be kept remote from such flame. Don't put colored paper over electric light bulbs, because the heat is sufficient to start a blaze. Show windows should be ventilated. A few days of hot dry air with chemical decomposition generate conditions for spontaneous combustion. One or two fire extinguishers should be kept close at hand near every show window ready for instant use in case of a blaze. A pail of dry sand to smother a fire is another good thing to have about for a like emergency.

Schools and churches—A sheet of tin or zinc should be placed on the floor under every Christmas tree to catch the drippings of the candles. Sand, water or extinguishers should be at hand in the most convenient place for instant use. Exits should be marked with red lights and kept free and clear at all times during entertainments. Every Santa Claus costume of flannel or other quick burning material with cotton batting trimmings and false wig and beard should be dipped in some solution to make it fire proof. No gathering of children should be permitted unless every reasonable precaution against fire and possible panic in case of an alarm is first taken by those in charge.

Private homes—Before the candles on the Christmas trees are lighted, see to it that pails, basins or boilers of water are filled and kept in the kitchen ready for possible use. If they are needed, they will be needed in a great hurry. Try to do away with cotton batting, which is one of the most inflammable of substances. Fire will flash over the surface of this material and start a blaze in less time than it takes to tell about it. It burns with great heat because every fibre contains a tube carrying oxygen to support the combustion. Always have handy a good sized rug and if the clothing of any one accidentally catches fire for whatever reason don't try to beat out the flames with your hands, but just wrap the person in that rug and press down upon it everywhere to smother the fire. Don't place decorations near a gas flame. Paper, muslin and like material will take fire, even though such stuff be eighteen to twenty inches above the flame.

RUNAWAY GIRL DIES.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Hazel Roberts Dillingham, the 18-year-old girl who was found unconscious in Lincoln Park, December 1st, died in a hospital here today. The coroner will hold an inquest.

In one of her conflicting stories, the girl said she ran away from a convent in Tarrytown, N. Y. She also said she was a daughter of an official of the Oregon Short line.

WINE MAKERS REACH AMICABLE AGREEMENT

Harmony of Prices Promised; Adjustment Result of Conferences.

Because of an amicable understanding which it is reported has been reached between the California Wine Association and the independent wine makers, the statement has been made that there will be no fight between these two interests next year. This promise of an agreement has been reached as the result of the various conferences which have been held recently by the independent wine men of this vicinity.

While there will be no actual union between the independents and the Wine Association, or intention on the part of the independents to sell out to the association, it is stated that the independents feel confident that there will be no repetition of the ruinous conditions this year and that in the future there will be a harmony of prices rather than ruinous competition.

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COMPANY BEING FORMED TO BUY RAISINS IN POOL

P. Droge and C. A. Paulden at Work to Interest Capital.

Three Bids Are Expected by Those Holding Pool in Trust.

P. Droge and C. Paulden are busily engaged in the organization of a company which will make a bid for the raisin pool. Definite announcement of the formation of this pool was made public yesterday by Thomas H. Lynch, who however, would not state just who are backing the proposed deal.

From reports received along Raisin Row, Paulden and Droge are making an earnest endeavor to secure the tonnage now under contract, but it is impossible to learn the interests they are representing, although it is positively stated that they are factors which have not yet been felt in the raisin game this year.

Thomas Lynch denies that these interests are in any way connected with the Consolidated interests and adds that they are independent men.

The attitude of the Consolidated toward this pool still remains a mystery and many ventures are being made as to what will be done. It is generally believed, however, that as individuals the Consolidated packers will not bid but that if any bid is made from this source it will be made by these men as a body, a movement similar to that in which the Consolidated packers offered 2 cents for raisins provided 20,000 tons were secured.

L. F. Giffen has thus far made no announcement as to his intentions in this regard but it is generally presumed that he will bid. His position in the raisin market at the present time almost makes it imperative that he bid if he wishes to retain control.

From reliable sources comes the report that all three parties will enter bids before next Thursday, but it is expected that these three bids will be all that will be made. None of the other individual growers are large enough either to buy the pool or to handle it in case they should secure it.

It was impossible to learn yesterday whether or not Paulden and Droge were having much success in their efforts to acquire the pool but from all reports it is believed that a large block of money will be secured thus giving these people an opportunity to bid.

Bids must all be in by Thursday noon and they will be opened Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Growers are invited to be present at the opening.

That 5 cents will be the price offered is the unanimous opinion of Consolidated and independent packers alike but it is probable the highest man will offer a large bonus in order to secure the tonnage.

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Chicago	3:45	4:20		2:45
Corcoran	3:45	4:20	7:15	2:45
Denver	3:45	4:20		2:45
Grand Canyon	3:45	4:20		2:45
Hanford		4:20	7:15	2:45
Kansas City	3:45	4:20		2:45
Johannesb'g	3:45			
Merced	1:00	8:00	10:50	11:35
Oakland	1:00	8:00	10:50	11:35
Oakdale		8:00	10:50	11:35
Richmond	1:00	8:00	10:50	11:35
San Fran	1:00	8:00	10:50	11:35
Stockton	1:00	8:00	10:50	11:35
Tulare	3:45	7:15	7:35	2:30
Visalia	3:45	7:15	7:35	2:30
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COME TO CONSULT ON SCHOOL MATTERS

Joint Districts With Kings County will be Reduced by Two.

Mrs. N. E. Davidson, school superintendant of Kings county, called upon Superintendent Lindsay yesterday to consult on various matters in which the counties are jointly interested, as, for instance, the matter of the teachers' institute meeting.

The subject of joint school districts, of which there are five yet, has been pretty well settled. Coalinga and Eschol will be the next that will lose a joint organization. Coalinga will be divided so that the territory in this county will belong here exclusively, that in Kings to be probably annexed to Empire. So, with Eschol, the portion in Kings to go into Oakdale. This division can readily be brought about, because in the Kings portion of the Coalinga district there is not a school census child, which is practically the fact also with Eschol.

The remaining joint school districts will be Grant, Laguna and Laton and the first two are so evenly divided as to territory and children that it is only a question of time when they also will lose their joint organization. Almost any segregation would seem to be preferable to the system of double jurisdiction, with attendant double reports and salary warrants and doubling up of all paper organization work.

VAN NESS AVENUE WILL BE EXTENDED BEYOND CITY LIMITS

One Right of Way of Deed Needed to Open it to Olive Avenue.

Steel Bridge Across Dry Creek to be Erected at Cost of $4045.

Supervisor Huffman says that the proposition to extend Van Ness avenue beyond the city limts at Belmont avenue is in promising shape. In fact, only one right of way deed is intended to complete the roadway and place the thing in such a condition as to warrant the promoters of the project to come before the supervisors with their petition for the opening of this public roadway.

Van Ness avenue is the city street one block east of Forthcamp avenue, and the proposition to continue it for about one-half a mile beyond the city limits to Olive avenue. The double-tracking of Forthcamp, which is at best a narrow thoroughfare, will necessitate an unobstructed thoroughfare into town from the outside country beyond, and the extension of Van Ness is intended to fill this need.

The extension calls for a 60-foot roadway across the lands of Daniel Berry, J. W. Hannah, Chamberlain, the Wade estate and of Miss D. Cooper. All these rights-of-way have been promised and the only hitch is as to the deed over the land of the Wade estate. It is the securing of this right-of-way deed that has delayed the matter as long as it has been.

Involved in the opening of this extension is Supervisor Huffman's district is the proposition also of erecting another bridge across Dry Creek, not so very far from the reinforced concrete structure that is being put down on Belmont avenue at the joint expense of the city and county.

Dry creek channel crosses the line of Van Ness avenue intended and Supervisor Huffman's plan is to erect a 40-foot steel joist and lattice bridge with banister railing, the plan for which he has practically decided upon. The cost of this bridge will be $4045. This bridge will be an accommodation to travel northward of the city.

LICENSED TO MARRY

The three marriage licenses issued yesterday are to the following named:

George Ryland, native of England, aged 56, and Lucy A. Huston, native of Texas, aged 57, residents of Fresno.

Glenn W. Reyburn, aged 31, and Charlotte Porter, aged 29, residents of Fresno and natives of Wisconsin.

F. M. Akin, native of New York, aged 61, resident of Los Angeles, and Sarah Rodgers, native of Pennsylvania, aged 53, resident of Findlay, Ohio.

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OAKLAND BUSINESS MAN UNDER ARREST

C. P. Colburn, Traveling Auditor of Pacific Gas Company, Caught Here on Charge.

C. P. Colburn, traveling auditor for the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, was arrested in this city yesterday morning at 5 o'clock by Acting Sergeant Charles Farnam and Detective J. F. Flynn of the Oakland force, on a charge of deserting his wife, a felony under a recent law passed by the State Legislature.

Colburn was served with the warrant at the Fulton hotel, where he had been stopping since his arrival in Fresno. Detective Flynn and Colburn returned to Oakland on the 5 o'clock train.

The warrant for the arrest of Colburn was sworn out in Oakland on Monday by the wife of the gas man. Word was sent here, Colburn was located at the Fulton hotel, and arrested. Colburn declares that the arrest is spite work.

THIRTY DAYS FOR STEALING WHEEL

H. Crouch, the 18-year-old youth who was caught in Tulare by Marshal Court Smith for stealing a bicycle in this city last Friday, pleaded guilty to petit larceny yesterday before Judge Briggs. The court imposed a sentence of thirty days in the county jail. Crouch confessed to the theft, declaring that he took the wheel because he was broke. He intended ride to the orange district near Tulare to secure employment.

ARE CONDUCTORS OF THIS CITY UNLUCKY?

Sacramento Public to Give Street Car Men Xmas Presents.

The conductors on the street cars of the Fresno Traction Company were evidently born under unlucky stars. In contrast, the "nickel-grabbers" on the street railway lines of Sacramento and other California cities, and all the large Eastern towns, are a fortunate lot.

On an agreed on day before Christmas, the residents of these cities who ride on the cars will participate in what is commonly called "No change day." In other words, on that auspicious day, the patrons of the cars will not ask for or expect to receive change from the conductors. The conductor is not expected to give change, no matter if you hand him a dime, quarter, half dollar, whole dollar or gold piece, unless specific request is made.

The polite man in uniform simply rings up one fare and deposits the change in his pocket. This amount is his Christmas present, the gift of the public he has served so faithfully during the past year.

That, in brief, is the lick of the Eastern brothers of the Fresno conductors. In this city, there will be nothing of this sort, according to local representatives of the Traction Company.

This peculiar method of giving the conductors Christmas presents has never been tried in Fresno and will probably not be worked this year. Sacramento held one last year and intends to have a "No change day" within the next few days.

GRANGER COMPLETING BIG DEAL FOR RAILS

Representatives of Eastern Steel Firm Spend Day in This City.

With the arrival in this city yesterday of W. W. Pinkerton of Philadelphia and H. B. Green of San Francisco, in the interests of the Fresno-Hanford road, the report was spread about the streets that more capitalists were here looking over the road. The report, however, proved to be without foundation, for, as has been stated many times before, W. G. Luce of Chicago is financing this project.

W. W. Pinkerton is representing a large Eastern steel firm from whom the Fresno-Hanford people are making arrangements to secure the rails for the proposed line, and H. B. Green is the Pacific coast representative of the company, with headquarters at San Francisco. While in this city yesterday on business, Mr. Pinkerton and Mr. Green were shown about the country by Granger. It is expected that a deal for rails will soon be closed with this company.

SWITCHMAN GIVEN RELEASE BY COURT

W. H. Tolson, the former Southern Pacific switchman, who was arrested a few nights ago by Acting Sergeant Charles Farnam on suspicion that he had held up a Mexican and taken a gold watch, was discharged from custody by Police Judge Briggs yesterday. Attorney Tom Ingersoll appeared in court for the defendant. After a thorough investigation, the police announced that the evidence against Tolson was purely circumstantial and a conviction would be doubtful on the story told by the Mexican.

GOVERNOR DENEEN RECOMMENDS REFORMS.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 14.—In his message at the opening of the special session of the Illinois general assembly today, Governor Deneen expressed satisfaction that the prospects of enactment of deep waterway and direct primary legislation.

Amendments to mining laws to prevent a repetition of the Cherry disaster; a commission to study the subject of employers' liability; legislation conferring on cities power to adopt the commission form of government, and the adoption of the amendment to the Federal Constitution permitting the imposition of an income tax, also were recommended by the governor.

WILSON NOT TO RESIGN.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 14.—Emphatic denial can be given to the report that William O. Thompson, president of the Ohio State University, will be appointed January 1 to the post of secretary of agriculture in succession to James Wilson. President Taft is in New Haven to attend the Yale corporation meeting. It is understood that so far as President Taft knows, Secretary Wilson has no intention of resigning.

FOUR MINERS ENTOMBED.

NEGAUNEE, Mich., Dec. 14.—Four miners were entombed in the Negaunee mine by a fall of ground.

WESTERN BEEF COMING INTO ITS OWN WITH EASTERN BUYERS

Complete Change of Sentiment Occurs Within Last Decade.

Western Range Steers in Good Health; Put on Flesh Readily.

Western beef is coming into its own. Not over a decade ago Eastern buyers purchased range-bred steers only when they were unable to fill their feed pens from other sources, and usually offered a much lower price for this class of stock than they were willing to pay for that secured from other places.

Experience has taught these buyers, however, that Western range-bred steers are usually in the very best of health. They have a splendid frame upon which to build, are well muscled and boned, and being accustomed to the rigors of the Western climate, continue to put on flesh in the Eastern feed pens when cattle from other sections, being fed under identical conditions, are losing flesh on account of the inclement weather conditions. This Western steer only demands that he be given plenty of good fresh water and sufficient feed so that he may never be hungry and he will always give a good account of himself and return many dollars in profits to the feeder when he is sold for the block in the spring.

These steers shed early under favorable conditions, and when they have reached the stockyards they show an exterior finish that other cattle, lacking the same health and ruggedness, fail to show. This makes the Western steers ready sellers on the market, and after they have been butchered the percentage of the weight of the dressed carcass over that of other steers under the same conditions is so perceptible as to immediately attract the attention of those keen, far-sighted men who handle the yard end of the business.

The settlement of the West is rapidly reducing the amount of available range and is forcing the cattle to go higher and higher into the hills in search of forage. This is greatly increasing the importance of freely utilizing the ranges within the national forests, and every endeavor is being made by the forest service to open hitherto inaccessible ranges by the construction of trails and bridges, and unused arid ranges by the development of water. In these higher elevations the grass is usually much finer in quality and more nutritious, while the climate is much more rigorous; both of which conditions result in the animals being in better health and having more solid flesh when placed on the feeder markets in the fall. This fall has seen large numbers of the range-bred steers, most of which come from ranges within national forests, topping the feeder markets at all points where feeder steers are sold.

So great has become the demand for cattle of the quality mentioned that hundreds of stockmen throughout the West are selling their bunches of stock cattle and are beginning to handle steers conclusively. On the old ranges where a few years ago one was accustomed to see large herds of cows and calves, you will find today equally large bunches made up entirely of steers, some of which may perhaps have come from Old Mexico; some from Texas, while Arizona and New Mexico usually furnish their quota. These steers are brought into these Western ranges at from eighteen months to two years old. They become acclimated the first year, while in the second and third years they become sufficiently mature so that they may be taken to market.

The demand for cattle of this kind is greater than the supply, and as in all other cases where the demand is greater than the supply the price received on sale must constantly increase. That this is true of the steer business, one can easily ascertain through conversation with any one of the Western stockmen who make this a business. They will tell you that they have made money in the last two or three years in handling steers than they made in ten years in handling strictly stock cattle.

ADVISES RAILROADS TO PLANT FORESTS

Gifford Pinchot Addresses an Assembly of Transportation Officials.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—The purchase of timber lands and their reforestration by the railroads of the United States was urged by Gifford Pinchot, chief forester of the Department of Agriculture, at a conference held today of presidents and officials of the leading railroads.

Pinchot suggested this scheme as a means of preserving the forests and at the same time to provide railroad ties and posts for future use.

Replying to the suggestions by Pinchot, President Mudge of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific declared that in view of the possibility that within fifty years the railroads might be under government ownership, the national government should provide for the future needs of the railroads.

OVERHAULING TORPEDO FLEET.

VALLEJO, Cal., Dec. 14.—The nine vessels of the torpedo flotilla which arrived at the Mare Island navy yard from San Diego on Monday, probably will remain there about a month undergoing repairs.

The work of transferring the Iris from a distilling ship to a parent ship for the torpedo boats, which it is estimated will cost about $60,000, will be taken up at the earliest date practicable.

FRESNO VETERAN FIREMEN.

The F. V. F. . . will hold its regular meeting in the City Hall on Wednesday, December 15th, at 8 p. m.

This is the last meeting of the year, and members are requested to come and settle their indebtedness to the association, so that we may make a good start for the new year. Also election of new officers.

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CHILDREN'S SET—Of solid silver; 1 knife, 1 fork, 1 spoon; set.. 75¢
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NEWS OF EVENTS IN REALM OF SPORT

HOW FRESNO TIGERS LOOK ON PAPER RIGHT NOW

Pres. Shuck Has 23 Players to Choose 1910 Aggregation From.

CATCHERS.
William McDonough.
Walter Kuhn.
PITCHERS.
Oscar Jones.
Artie Smith.
S. Loucks.
J. Clarke.
John Forrester.
Joe Ellis.
Artie Schimpff.
Cuyler Leonard.
FIRST BASE.
Harry Tracey.
Ed Kennedy.
SECOND BASE.
Bill Kelley.
THIRD BASE.
Russell Funk.
SHORTSTOP.
Buck Franks.
Steve Regan.
OUTFIELDERS.
Red Davis.
Indian House.
Sid Gordon.
Dan Caffyn.
Butch Carney.
Eddie Householder.
Ray Duncan.

The foregoing lineup will give the fans an idea of the nucleus for next season's team in the California State League. At the beginning of the 1909 season the Tigers had plenty of men, but suddenly about half of the squad was stricken with "jumpitis." Fifteen members of the club did the grasshopper stunt, or were released, leaving a crippled club.

Toward the end of the season Frank Shuck took over the reins and a reconstructed aggregation resulted. At the close of the playing period every fan around the circuit conceded that Fresno had the best bunch of tossers in the history of the California league.

For the 1910 season, President Shuck has this same number of players to enter the race for the hunting and a few others unthought of. In all there are twenty-three men to line up when the training season rolls around next March. About the middle of last season the local baseball magnate scratched his head and wondered where good ball material was to come from to pull the Tigers out of the mire.

Right now President Shuck is in the air higher than Wright's acroplane. He has twenty-three fast tossers on his list of eligibles. He can't play them all because the rules of a Class B league prohibit the carrying of more than twelve men by any club in the circuit. At the same time, Shuck has two and one-half teams and everyone knows that the magnate will consider himself fortunate if sufficient coin is raised among the fans and by sale of players to carry one club through the season.

The only solution seems to be this: The State League circuit is to be enlarged to six clubs. San Jose will be in need of several players and Sacramento or San Francisco may need a few. The National Association of minor leagues decided at the Memphis, Tenn., gathering that all blacklisted players who finished the season with clubs in the reformed outlaw organization cannot play in any other league for two years. If they jumped contracts they must remain for four seasons.

Fresno cannot use but twelve of the twenty-three on the above list, hence after the first of the year the fans may expect some interesting news when the slicing of the long list is begun. One thing is certain. If a pennant winner cannot be picked from this list of twenty-three, there is no need of trying further. Shuck says the bunting will fly from the Recreation Park flag pole at the close of the 1910 race.

We are inclined to agree with him. The list of twenty-three names, although bordering on skidoo ground, looks good to us. And undoubtedly every fan will jump in the same airship. Nothing beats boosting if you boost the right proposition. Shuck declares there will be but one team in the race for the rag next season and this club will wear the Fresno colors.

Oh, you Tigers.

DENIES COMMUNITY OF INTEREST BETWEEN ROADS

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.—"There will be no community of interests between the 'Frisco and the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Systems."

This statement was made today by James Campbell when he returned from New York where he helped consummate the separation of the Rock Island and 'Frisco railroad systems and several other important financial deals. He was elected to the 'Frisco directorate.

"There could not be any community of interest between the two roads," said Mr. Campbell, "because in many points in Kansas and Oklahoma they are competing lines. Their relations will be harmonious but this could not be otherwise in view of the way rate legislation is handled by the Interstate Commerce Commission."

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LONG-EXPECTED MIX UP OCCURS NEXT SUNDAY

Reconstructed Brunswicks to Battle with Champion Fresno Republicans.

SUNDAY'S LINE-UP.

Brunswicks.		Republicans.
Owens	c	King
I. Tufts	p	Howa'd-Harrim'n
Duncan	1b	E. Preston
H. Tufts	2b	Ashley
Cartwright	3b	Brant
M. Maul	ss	Klein
Householder	lf	Reuter
Hayes	cf	Baldwin
Cardwell	rf	Harrim'n-Howa'd
Leonard	sub	G. Preston

The foregoing is the official lineup of the Brunswicks and Republican teams, as announced yesterday by the rival captains. All is in readiness for the battle royal of the midwinter series. Recreation park will be the scene of the meeting and the game will be called at 2:30 p. m. next Sunday. Charley Klein, the popular umpire, will call the balls and strikes. Both captains are willing to accept Klein as the official indicator handler.

Attached to the exhibition will be the appearance of two minor leaguers in the Brunswick personnel. Walter Cartwright, better known to the fans as "Brownie," will cover third for Buck Owens' club. Cartwright is a Fresno boy, but has played in the Northwestern League for the past three seasons. Four years ago, he held down first for Mike Fisher's Fresno Coast League club.

Eddie Householder, the lone Tiger to winter in Fresno, will chase the high ones in left garden for the Brunswicks. Manager Art Bennett of the Republican team will present the same old faces in the same old places. Either Howard or Harriman will be on the mound for the champs. King will do the receiving.

"Genial Ike" Tufts will start the game for the Brunswicks, with his captain, Buck Owens, behind the bat. In case Tufts should weaken, Cuyler Leonard will be sent in. Notwithstanding that the Brunswicks will present one of the most formidable line-ups in the history of the aggregation, Captain Preston of the Republicans is confident of proving the assertion that his club is the fastest in Central California.

The fans have been waiting for this game for weeks and if the Sunday weather is propitious, the attendance should be large. The presence of Cartwright in the Brunswick line-up should be a splendid drawing card.

THREE CRACK TRAP-SHOOTERS ENTERED IN AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT

GLORIA WITH TOP WEIGHT WINS HANDICAP

Pickens Rides the Winner—Ladies' Day Draws Large Crowd.

JUAREZ, Mexico, Dec. 14.—Gloria, carry top weight—118 pounds—easily won the handicap at seven furlongs at Juarez today. He was a 11 to 5 favorite and was ridden by Pickens. He won by five lengths. This was ladies' day and a big crowd of the fair sex turned out.

SUMMARY.

First race, six furlongs—Jolter, 102 (Mordan), 4 to 1, won; Bright Skies, 97 (Garner), 18 to 5, second; Joe Ehrich, 107 (Archibald), 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:15 1-5. Star Thistle, Plume, Knight Deck, Little Sis, Landlord, Restitution, Clint Tucker, Meltoncloth and Mollie Bohn also ran.

Second race, mile—Keep Moving, 103 (Austin), 5 to 2, won; Pedro, 102 (J. Wilson), 3 to 1, second; Wander, 93 (Garner), 8 to 5, third. Time, 1:43 1-5. Gladys Louise, Light House, Kopek and Apologize also ran.

Third race, five furlongs—Mike Molett, 109 (Archibald), 12 to 5, won; Good Intent, 104 (J. Wilson), 6 to 1, second; Rustem, 104 (Benescoten), 7 to 2, third. Time, 1:03. C. A. Leiman, Brunhilde, Lady Genevieve, Bob Lynch Master Clarence Lady Paret Illusive and Pick Point also ran.

Fourth race, handicap, seven furlongs—Gloria, 118 (Pickens), 11 to 5, won; Early Tide, 107 (Archibald), 7 to 1, second; Lady Esther, 105 (Kennedy), 20 to 1, third. Time, 1:29. Right Easy, King Cobalt, J. H. Houghton and Pinkola also ran.

Fifth race, six furlongs—Gold Finn 113 (McCahey), 11 to 5, won; Ocean Queen, 110 (Archibald), 3 to 1, second; Marse Abe, 108 (Garner), 16 to 5, third. Time 1:15. Blagg, Don Hamilton and L. M. Reckert also ran.

Sixth race, mile—Arcourt, 105 (Pickens), 5 to 2, won; The Thorn, 100 (J. Wilson), 5 to 2, second; Miss Lida, 105 (Warren), 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:44 1-5. Posing, Black Hawk, Contentee, Maud Sigsbee, Pastoriza, Dr. Nash and Salesman also ran.

TODAY'S ENTRIES.

First race, six furlongs—Cuba Boy, 105; Playlet, Max Nal, Caesar, Augustus, Vohoome, Rickey, Gresham, Tillinghast, 104; Judge Shortall, Nigger Baby, 100; X, Minnolette, 95.

Second race, six furlongs—Charlie Doherty, 112; Cheswardine, Congo, 109; Dredkin, Light Knight, 105; Hannibal Boy, 104; X, Marmoren, E. M. Fry, 99.

Third race, seven furlongs—Beaver Dam Lad, Hughes, 107; Virginia Lindsey, Albion H., Grasuddeth, Melange, 104; X, Tony Faust, 102; X, Hands Around, 99.

Fourth race, six furlongs—Prince Ahmed, 120; Marchmont, 107; Hannah Louise, 97; Ladextra, 90.

Fifth race, six furlongs—Rounder 110; Alva R., 107; X, Kyle, Miss Hardly, 106; Aunt Nancy, 104; Radation X, Rustem, 102; X, Kiddy Lee, 100.

Sixth race mile—X, Lista, 107; McNally, 103; X, Banbury, 101; Sensible 100; X, Dr. Downie, 95.

X—Apprentice allowance.

BIG MEETING TODAY.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Routine matters were disposed of by the board of directors of the National League of Baseball Clubs, which convened today. Consequently, the all-important question of electing a president will not be taken up until tomorrow.

UNANIMOUS VOTE FOR RUGBY AS GREATEST COLLEGE GAME

SPOKANE, Dec. 14.—The Stanford University Club of Spokane, composed of graduates and former students of Stanford University, where Rugby football is played, at a dinner last night went on record as favoring Rugby. There was not a dissenting vote.

C. B. Bradford, Stanford's mile runner, characterized Rugby as being more interesting, more spectacular, less dangerous and a greater game than the American sport. The club intends to lend its influence toward giving the game a start in the High schools of the Northwest.

TO START FIGHT GAME IN GERMANY

American Thinks He Can Repeat What He Did in Paris.

(By Ed. W. Smith.)

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Americans have tried about everything else upon the Germans. Now one bright young American chap is going to try the boxing game on Berliners. He says he will force them to like it. It is needless to say the young man has unlimited nerve.

He is Richard C. Klegin of Sioux City, Iowa, the youthful promoter who grabbed Paris by the neck and forced boxing down its throat in a most amazing manner. Today Paris is wild over the boxing game despite the surfeit it has had. Today they pay grand opera prices for seats at the big mills and are so discriminating that anything short of a regular slaughter palls upon the Parisian taste. Klegin says he will see to it that the phlegmatic German outdoes his brother from over the border.

He is taking two American fighters with him to Paris—"Denver Ed" Martin, the black heavyweight, and Tony Caponi, the Chicago Italian middleweight. He says both of them will make good in France and England.

When Dick had sprung his scheme on me I had to laugh at the idea.

Klegin was born in Sioux City, Iowa, and is half German and half French, hence his inclination to the two countries is but natural. When one considers that Dick is but 22 years old, one gets a fair idea of the colossal nerve of the young man.

Three years ago, when he was but 19 years old, Dick landed in Paris with $2500 and hired the Hippodrome, a building that cost its promoter 5,000,000 francs and caused his suicide later when it was found to be a white elephant. Klegin spent every penny he had in advertising his initial fight, stood off everybody else he could and awaited developments. His circus style of doing business hit the boulevarders right betwixt the eyes and his receipts for that opening show were $12,000. From that time his success was assured.

"The Germans will never take to it," I opined. "It's not in the blood. They are too ponderous in their athletic tendencies. Give them a couple of heavyweight lifters and you will win them."

"They all said I was crazy to expect Paris to like boxing and tried to dissuade me from risking my money on such a wild scheme," this young hustler answered. "Yet America never was wilder over boxing than France is today.

"I'll go into Berlin like I went into Paris—no circus ever had anything on me when it comes to circus billing. I'll carry them off their feet. Get away with it? One never can tell till the trial has been made."

SCHIMPFF GOES HOME.

Artie Schimpff, the clever utility player of the Fresno Tigers, will leave for his home in Oakland today to spend the holidays with his folks. With the departure of Schimpff, there remains but one Tiger in the city, Eddie Householder, who will be seen in left garden for the Brunswicks next Sunday at Recreation park in the scheduled game with the Republican team. Schimpff has been pitching for the Kutners since the State League season closed.

NEW BOWLING RECORD.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.—The Regals, playing in the City Star bowling team, broke the world's record for a single game by rolling 1235. The average was 247. The previous record was 1207.

TEAM WILL NOT COME.

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Dec. 14.—The proposed coast trip of the Ann Arbor football team has been canceled because of the adverse decision of the superintendent of the Seattle schools.

SCHOOL STATISTICS.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 14.—A report compiled by the state superintendent of public instruction shows that on June 30, 1909, there were 349,145 children in the kindergarten, elementary and high schools of the state. Of these 180,481 were boys and 170,664 girls. The number of men teachers was 1,455 and women 9038. The cost of maintenance for the year was $15,985,255. The amount of school property is $38,656,761.

GUNBOAT SMITH KNOCKS OUT SCHUTKEN IN SEVENTH ROUND

OAKLAND, Dec. 14.—"Gunboat" Smith knocked out Walter Schutken in the seventh round tonight of a scheduled ten round bout. Schutken had considerably the better of the contest up to the sixth round, when he grew over-confident and became careless. The fight was fast from the start.

HELD FOR WHITE SLAVERY.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 14.—Nathan Landsburg and R. C. Mulvey, charged with the illegal introduction of women into the United States, were arraigned today before Federal District Judge Wellborn. They pleaded not guilty and were released on $1000 bonds for trial at the next term of court. Landsburg is a merchant at Calexico, Cal., and Mulvey is in business at Mexicali, just across the Mexican border. Two women whom they are alleged to have imported have been ordered deported but are being held as witnesses.

PORTUGUESE LABORERS FOR SUGAR PLANTATIONS

HONOLULU, Dec. 14.—The steamer Swanley arrived here today with 868 Portuguese immigrants from Funchal, Island of Maderira, on board. The newly arrived immigrants will work on the sugar plantations, which have been experiencing a scarcity of labor for some time.

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BUGG'S BREEZY BASEBALL BABBLE

By Chicago Bill Bailey: "Muggsy" McGraw, the fighting manager of the New York Giants, certainly has one thing to be thankful for, and that is his pitching staff isn't composed of seven "Hugs" Raymonds and that his outfield isn't made up of three Cy Seymours.

For the eccentric pitcher and the brilliant outfielder and slugger are camping upon the trail of the manager of the Giants.

So it need not cause a great deal of surprise if stories of friction between the manager and one of his twirlers and between the scrappy little general and one of his outfielders are heralded occasionally.

And strange enough the inoffensive water wagon has caused all the trouble.

Seymour is sore, very sore, at the fighting "Muggsy." Cy last year felt that he would have his banner year in the game. When the Giants traveled southward he was feeling in grand shape. Cy told "Muggsy" as much. And McGraw warned him not to look upon the wine when it was red, white, yellow, blue or green. He impressed his point and feeling exceedingly well with himself and the world emphasized his remarks by promising Cy a nice bonus if he drank nothing stronger than water.

Well, right there and then Cy became the booster of the water wagon. He climbed right on, put up the sideboards that he might not roll off and then chained himself to the vehicle that no sudden jar might loosen his hold.

But upon an evil day Artie Latham said something which did not please Cy and he poked Artie a gentle poke. Latham lost his balance, according to Cy, hit the hotel floor head first and arose peeved.

For which Cyrus was fired from the ball club. But did he weaken? Not for an instant. Cy merely too a firmer hold of himself and stuck. He paid his own hotel bills, his own car fare. He contributed to the Pullman Company when the Giants jumped and gave real money for the food he ate in the dining car.

All this time, mind you, he was training that he might be in condition to play on that day when McGraw's anger should evaporate and the sentence be removed.

Well, that day came one month after the opening of the season. Seymour was in grand shape. But evil luck was still pursuing him. After playing less than an inning Cy injured his leg. And he was out of the game again.

Still he clung to that water wagon with a grip that could not be shaken.

When he recovered he got into the game with a vengeance. He hit like wildfire. He had infielders afraid of their legs and outfielders complaining of the shortness of their breath. He was a whirlwind. New York critics were bemoaning the fate that kept the demon Cy out of the game so long.

"He would have batted us to a pennant," said they.

Well, the season passed, as all seasons do, and Cy entered the Giants' office for the final settlement. All summer long he had been planning just how he would spend that bonus. For Cy, you see, had maintained the faith.

And what do you suppose he was told?

"There will be no bonus."

Cy was crushed. He hasn't mapped out his plan of campaign, but he's "agin McGraw" and you can bet your last dollar on that proposition.

As for "Hugs" Raymond?

He wants to pitch baseball for his old friend McCloskey of the Milwaukee team.

"A lower league?" you query.

Sure. But what matters that to "Bugs"? He and McCloskey are great friends. They get along better than any player and manager when Hugs is the player. You see, McCloskey allows Bugs lots of rope and then cracks him over the head with a bat or something like that when the limit has been exceeded.

But McGraw? "Hugs" don't like him. And there is just the chance the eccentric twirler will be out of the game altogether next year.

McGraw in an interview in New York said: "Sell Raymond? Not much. I can't afford to sell him. When he is in condition he is one of the greatest pitchers in the country. Now, if he can't remain in condition for New York he can't for any other club in the country. And if he can get into condition and stay that way for some other club, why, he can for New York. That's all.

"If Raymond plays baseball next summer it will be for the Giants. I won't sell him and I won't trade him. If he's right we can use him. If he isn't no one can."

But at that the chances are that Raymond couldn't go to Milwaukee if McGraw was willing. For the chances are that more than one club would block the deal that would send him to the minors.

You see there are many managers who are willing to take a chance of keeping a winning pitcher in condition.

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Should McGraw and Raymond fall to get along next season one of the most unique characters of the diamond will be among the missing.

For when it comes to eccentricities it's questionable whether Rube Waddell has anything on the spit ball pitcher. He claims that he can't pitch unless he has had a stipulated amount of beer. And as for eating at the hotel where the remainder of the players eat, that would be a novelty for Bugs.

He and McGraw may hitch. But it will be because Raymond is forced. If he had his way he would hike to Milwaukee and pitch his head off. For he likes the close intimate friends that a ball player makes in the smaller cities far better than the distant hero worshiping fans of a city like New York. Especially when you lose and they don't worship you.

FIVE YEARS FOR BURGLARY.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 14.—Fred Johnson was sentenced to serve five years in the penitentiary at Folsom today for burglarizing the store of Don Ray and Company at Galt last October and stealing about $300 worth of merchandise.

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TIDAL WAVES CAUSE MUCH LOSS OF LIFE

Numerous Vessels are Lost Near the Coast of Japan.

VICTORIA, Dec. 14.—News of several steamship disasters, involving much loss of life, have been brought by the Monteagle. Corpses were being washed ashore at the fishing villages near Shimonoseki from the steamer Kisakata Maru, which foundered off Ainoshima with all hands, as cabled. The bodies of nineteen men and three women with life belts marked with the steamer's name were found at Toyonoshite. The steamer Jinsen Maru went down off Ryuganpo, near Dalny, and all on board were lost. Twenty vessels were wrecked or missing. Tidal waves caused loss of life near Shimonoseki.

News was also brought by the Montcalm of the capsizing of a large Chinese passenger boat on the Yang tse, near Kuhu, November 24, forty persons being drowned. The steamer Yat Shing and Loonan saved forty-seven passengers.

WHITE SLAVE CHARGES ARE NOT SUBSTANTIATED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—A lack of evidence to make a case against her will save Chan Haw, a California Chinese girl, from being sent back to China. She was arrested as an incident of the "White Slave" traffic. Her detention followed statements made by the superintendent of the Chinese Methodist Rescue Home of, Berkeley, Cal., who declared that in company with two city detectives of San Jose, she visited Chinatown in that place and rescued Chan Haw, who, it is alleged, was held there for illegal purposes and against her will.

The superintendent also said the girl was brought to this country for wrongful purposes by her husband, a native born citizen of the United States. Considerable evidence favorable to the girl was submitted.

The criminal proceedings against the husband arising out of the charge failed, and he was released.

STEAMER IS SAFE.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 14.—A dispatch from Harbor Beach, Mich., says that the steamer Jessie Spaulding of Chicago, which was reported to have foundered, is in shelter at that port and that the crew is safe.

INDIGESTION, HEARTBURN, GAS AND STOMACH HEADACHE GO

A Little Diapepsin Will Make You Feel Fine in Five Minutes.

There would not be a case of indigestion here if readers who are subject to Stomach trouble knew the tremendous anti-ferment and digestive virtues contained in Diapepsin. This harmless preparation will digest a heavy meal without the slightest fuss or discomfort, and relieve the sourest acid stomach in five minutes, besides overcoming all foul, nauseous odors from the breath.

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If your Stomach is sour and full of gas, or your food doesn't digest, and your meals don't seem to fit, why not get a 50-cent case from your druggist and make life worth living? Absolute relief from Stomach misery and perfect digestion of anything you eat is sure to follow five minutes after, and besides, one case is sufficient to cure a whole family of such trouble.

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EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 5, 1909.

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Leave Fresno for Reedley, Visalia, Tulare and intermediate points 3:45 a. m., 7:35 a. m., 2:30 p. m.

Leave Fresno for Hanford, Corcoran and intermediate points 4:20 a. m., 7:15 a. m., 2:45 p. m.

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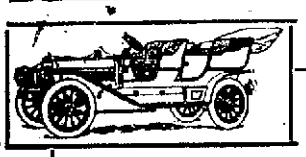

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TELLS SENATORS OF TRACK GAMBLING

Brotaski, Reformed Track Man, Leads Attack on National Evil.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—With a supporting cast of reformers galore, both men and women, Henry Brotaski of Monrovia, Cal., who professed to be a reformed race track gambler, was the star feature of a hearing today before the Senate judiciary committee in support of the Burkett bill to prohibit the transmission of race track betting odds over telegraph or telephone lines.

He told how the public is mulcted by bookmakers at race tracks, by pool rooms and by hand bookmakers.

Brotaski, in most candid and picturesque fashion, gave details of the gamblers' life and showed the poor chance of returns for money invested which is given by the gambling public. He was one of the owners of a Mexican track that was regarded as the basis of gambling operations in the United States and was put out of business at the instance of the Department of State through agreement with the Mexican government.

Brotaski is now seeking to have tracks in which he has no interest dealt with in like manner.

HIS WIDE EXPERIENCE.

Introducing himself as having been a gambler, pool room proprietor, bookmaker upon race tracks, and a hand bookmaker, Brotaski said he had worked in his line in St. Louis, Chicago, Worth, Robey, Atlanta, Charleston, S. C., New Orleans, San Francisco, Oakland, Los Angeles, Latonia Louisville and Benning's tracks and had had twenty-one years' experience. He roughly estimated that there are now in the United States between sixty and seventy pool rooms and that fifty of these are in New York City. He calculated that there were in the United States nearly 1500 hand books which, he declared, are the incentive that make the unsophisticated gamble on the horses. He gave at length details of methods employed by race track bookmakers, pool room operators and hand book makers. He said that in New York City there were at least 100,000 hand book and pool room players, and that the evil was growing daily.

"The play that is handled by the hand books and pool rooms," said Brotaski, "is usually from a class of people that can ill afford to lose, and their bets average from 50 cents up. The man of family will take a chance and lose his rent money; the clerk will take a chance and lose his board money; the girl will take a chance and use money that she should expend on herself. It is the greed for more money and the gambling fever that becomes inbculated into their systems, and it is growing all the time."

WESTERN UNION A PARTY.

Brotaski condemned the ticker service of the Western Union Telegraph Company or sub-leased lines as a great evil that should be stopped.

"It is the service giving the results and the prices as they finish," he said.

Pointing out the poor chance given the bettor for a return of any part of his wager, the witness said that in a pool room the percentage against the player would run from 25 to 150 per cent and in a hand book the percentage was from 5 to 15 per cent. A player had that much the worst of it to start with, Brotaski said, and there was no possible chance to beat the game.

"Common sense will tell you that from 5 per cent up will eat up any man's capital if taken out six times a day," he declared. "There is only one means of putting this evil out of business effectually, and that is by the United States government enacting a law prohibiting the transmission of pool room and race track information over telegraph or telephone wires, either openly or in cipher, and by having these laws enforced after they are passed, also prohibiting the use of the mails to newspapers that publish race track prices or results."

He said he could describe to the committee cases with which he had personal acquaintance where men had become absconders, drunkards and thieves on account of the pool room and hand book evils. He spoke of the so-called gamblers' war now in progress in Chicago, caused by pool room books and hand book factions. Probably twenty-five dynamite bombs had been thrown at gambling houses in the fight between these two factions, he said.

Rev. O. R. Miller of New York, secretary of the reform bureau, said that race tracks had been put out of business in New York under the "splendid leadership of Governor Hughes," but that all of his efforts and those of the reform element would come to naught unless transmission of information used by pool rooms and hand books were stopped.

IS IT CONSTITUTIONAL.

Senator Clark, chairman of the judiciary committee, asked that an argument be submitted on the subject of the constitutionality of legislation advocated. He said most people were agreed as to the moral side of the matter, and that there could be no question of the right of Congress to stop the transmission of race track news through the mails, but there might be a question concerning the regulation of telephone and telegraph lines to that extent.

A number of women from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and the city of Washington, interested in temperance and anti-gambling movements, spoke briefly.

After the hearing had concluded, Senator Nelson, who had never seen a race and knew nothing of race betting, said:

"I am still in the dark about some of these matters. I thought a pool room was a place where you played a game of billiards. Now, I want to know just what the operation is in laying a bet, as you call it."

He addressed this question to Brotaski, saying:

"You are the bookmaker and I am the player. What do I do?"

Everybody laughed, but Brotaski instanced a possible play, taking a race in which were eight horses.

"Now, suppose you want to bet on King Barley Corn, priced at 2 to 1. You give me $5 and I give you a ticket which reads 10 to 5. If the horse wins you get $10 and your $5 in addition, making $15 in all."

"But what if King Barley Corn does not win?" asked the senator. "Then what do I get?"

"You get," replied Brotaski, "the ticket as a souvenir."

"STORY RIDICULOUS."

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Police Commissioner Baker said tonight that the testimony given before the Senate judiciary committee concerning gambling in this city was ridiculous.

"The statement that there are fifty pool rooms and 100 hand books now being operated in this city is too ridiculous to be commented on," said Baker.

MILLIONAIRE MINER DIES.

SUPERIOR, Wis., Dec. 14.—R. B. Dear, millionaire contractor and mining man, died here Sunday as the result of a third operation, following appendicitis. Until recently he was president of the Butte-Balaklava Copper Company.

MILITARY EMBEZZLER TO TAKE AN APPEAL

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Captain Thomas Franklin, U. S. A., former treasurer of the military academy at West Point, today pleaded guilty in the federal court to embezzlement from the cadet mess fund. When the court later declined to grant an arrest of judgment, the plea of guilty was withdrawn until the case could be put in such shape to permit, if possible, it to be taken to a higher court on the question of lack of jurisdiction of the United States court.

Franklin's counsel contended that the charges should have been presented to a court martial.

LIFE SENTENCE CONFIRMED.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—The life sentence imposed on Thomas R. Argintos, a Greek, convicted of the murder of John Pavlovich of Guldfield while on a prospecting trip in Death Valley, was sustained today by the Supreme court. The crime was committed in July, 1907, and Argintos was taken into custody at Miles, Nev., and later taken to Inyo county, Cal., for trial. His attempt to dispose of a revolver belonging to the dead man, followed by the finding of the body in Death Valley, led to the arrest. Appeal to the Supreme court was based on the charge that the trial court had erred in procedure.

MUNICIPAL GRAFT.

MONTREAL, Dec. 14.—Judge Cannon of the Provincial District court, appointed by the provincial government to investigate Montreal's "civic government," made his report to the lieutenant governor today. The report finds that for many years there has been corruption in nearly every department of the civil government and names eight aldermen, a chief of police, a fire chief and two or three outside go-betweens as having been guilty of specific acts of malfeasance.

The report recommends the city council to be elected in February take steps to have the guilty persons prosecuted.

REFORMERS' CONCLAVE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Because it is believed that total abstinence in the army and navy may be best promoted through the Young Men's Christian Association, a deputation was named today by the reformers' conclave, now in session here, to urge the army and navy departments of the association to inaugurate a total abstinence campaign. The conclave, which consists of reform leaders throughout the United States, will be in session for several days.

LIFE SENTENCE FOR MURDERER

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—Life imprisonment in San Quentin was the sentence imposed on J. B. St. Denis today for the murder of Henry Huber, of which he was found guilty on his second trial. The men quarreled over a financial transaction and Huber was shot down from behind as he left the building.

COLLISION MIGHT HAVE BEEN AVOIDED

Is Opinion of Coroner and Railway Officials Regarding Accident.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—In the derangement of communication by wire which still prevails because of the late storm, complete details of the wreck of last night at Northeast, Pa., were not obtainable until the arrival here at 2:55 this afternoon of Second No. 26, the New York Central Limited.

A statement of how the accident happened was then given out at the New York Central offices, telling what trains were in collision and who were killed or injured.

No. 26, eastbound, leaves St. Louis at 8:45 a. m. and is due at Cleveland at 8:40 p. m., where it becomes the second section of the Twentieth Century Limited, due from Chicago just five minutes earlier.

Monday night all trains were late because of the storm and the New York Limited reached Cleveland first and took the right of way ahead of the Twentieth Century, thus becoming No. 26 instead of second No. 26.

It was this change of numbers that led to the understanding when hasty and scattered news of the wreck was first assembled, that the Twentieth Century had been in collision.

What happened was this:

Near Northeast, Pa., train No. 6, the Chicago, Cleveland and New York special was stalled with a broken engine. Behind her piled up one after another, No. 12 and No. 10, the Boston and New York specials with brakemen out behind. Into this string of blocked trains came thundering No. 26, behind her schedule and making up time.

Why she overran the flagman's red lantern and the bulls' eye of the automatic signal has not been explained. The weather was thick, but not so thick as to bewilder the other stalled trains, which had all stopped at command. These points remain for an official explanation.

Whatever the explanation may be, No. 26 came hurling through the storm at better than sixty miles an hour. Evidently her engineer got a glimpse of something ahead, for his brakes were screaming when he plowed into the rear car of the train ahead of him. The wreck probably will be the subject of a rigid investigation by county officials. Coroner Daniel S. Hanley, returning from the scene of the wreck, said tonight:

"The facts in the case will bear close scrutiny."

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Were we in the horse running business, you would think it ridiculous were we to enter a dray horse with the expectation of winning the race against a thoroughbred runner.

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A collection of the most costly and superb instruments will be shown during the next few weeks by the Eilers Music Co., 946 I Street, Fresno. These superb Pianos go to retail buyers during the next few days at price reductions that are really extraordinary. A wonderfully convenient plan of easy payments makes buying now still more advantageous.

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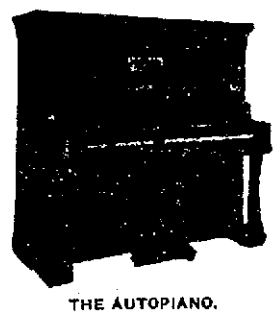
In the Eilers store we are showing a collection of instruments comprising the most costly Uprights, Grands and Baby Grands and Autopianos. The very pick of the world's largest and best piano factories—the Kimball, Chickering, Sohmer, Hobart M. Cable, Lester, Schuman, Smith and Barnes, Marshall & Wendell—unquestionably the most artistic exhibit we have ever presented or that we shall ever be able to present.

We are going to sell these pianos quickly—a few days at the most are all that we can devote to our exhibition and sale in this vicinity now.

EVERY INSTRUMENT IS A MASTERPIECE OF PIANO ART.

Yet the prices at which we intend to sell them makes it possible for you to obtain a thoroughly high-grade, artistic instrument for the same amount of money you would usually pay for an "ordinary" or "common" piano.



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We also wish to call attention to the Autopiano—"the best piano of all." No instrument that we have ever introduced has gained such quick popularity, for today there are over 1,200 Autopiano owners in California alone. We propose to make this a full 1,800 before the year ends.

There is many a "silent" piano in homes where there ought to be an Autopiano—an instrument that is not mechanical, but on the contrary makes it possible for every member of the family to produce the choicest music with perfect individuality.

We are now prepared to take such "silent" piano in part payment for one of these very latest soloist Autopianos, and we will make it an object for any owner of such old-style piano to do business with us now. Easy terms, of course.

The instrument pictured is a new style Autopiano in very plain case, which costs (without soloist) $562, (with soloist) $612. These instruments are built so as to employ every note in the scale and such value as this could not be obtained elsewhere within $250 of these prices.

DON'T LET ANYTHING DISSUADE YOU FROM PURCHASING A PIANO NOW—A SITUATION SUCH AS THIS WILL NEVER ARISE AGAIN.

For years it has been our aim to furnish a thoroughly high-grade, dependable and artistic piano—an instrument that would suit even the most exacting taste—within the $300 mark.

With increased cost of piano manufacture this is a little too low, but we have now a magnificent piano for $327 that meets every one of these requirements. A superb instrument, standing 4 feet 7 1-2 inches high, with full 7 1-3 octaves, and also provided with a third, or practice, pedal. This is one of the old established makes, known from one end of the country to the other as a thoroughly reliable make and heretofore sold for $450—yet here it is now for $327. Nor need this be all cash pay one-tenth of this price, or say even $32 cash, and $8 a month will buy one of these superb instruments.

If you are prepared to invest a little more money in a piano and want an instrument that is thoroughly choice, where no expense is spared to attain perfection inside and out, then you will appreciate the Lester piano which we now offer for $372. No one ever possessed a Lester piano without being an enthusiast over it, and its friends are legion. It is a universal favorite with Music Conservatories and has received the indorsement of those highest in the musical profession.

Such value as this is not obtainable elsewhere for less than $525—yes, and in many stores $550 would be considered a low price for an instrument of such grade and quality.

On the other hand if you want a piano for as little as $196, $207, $223, you will find many worthy makes—good pianos, every one of them, thoroughly reliable and warranted. Payments of $5 or $6 a month buy them. And if later on you want to exchange them for a Chickering or a Kimball or Sohmer, or Lester, or Decker, or the Autopiano, we will allow the full purchase paid any time within two years.

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The surprising part of this sale is that not only are these pianos for sale at less than the price the small dealers usually pay for them, but any resident of this city and vicinity can buy on such thoroughly advantageous and convenient terms. Pay one-tenth of sale price in cash and the balance will be arranged in convenient payments. Any reasonable requirements will be made while this sale is on, but you must act at once, for at these prices and these terms of payment we must do business quickly. Eight dollars, $6 or even $5 a month looks easy, and it is easy. No home need be without a piano now.

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RECORDED DEEDS

Cecile and Sarah Bleuvafeld of San Francisco to Sigahild Nelson Lots 13 and 14 of Block 161 of Fresno city.

Mikkerd A. Vlolken to A. Benner Lot 8 and ½ of 9 in city block 229.

TOWN PROPERTY

John M. Hudermann to Frankie Hudson of Reedley Lots 21-22 in Block 8 in Reedley; P. I. company to same for $35 Lot 24 in Block 8.

Oscar Bolinder of Kingsburg to J. E. Danielson W. 2-3 of W.½ of Lots 27-32 in Block G of Kingsburg.

A. J. Arnaudon to Pacific Improvement company Lots 1-4 in Mendota town block 88.

Adolphin Rowell to Laughlin-Jensen company Lot 1 in Block 24 in town of Covel.

P. I. company to Mrs. C. W. Cutten Lots 13 and 14 in Coalinga block 31.

OUTSIDE LANDS

De Witt H. Gray to George B. Raum of Los Angeles half interest in 20, 32 and 28-14-12 subject to mortgage for $6600 to Goodfellow & Eells; George E. Hart to Raum all of Los Angeles half interest in Raum above; and Raum to Joseph Hahon of Los Angeles the above 1920 acres, subject to the mortgage.

Margaret A. Bradley and Annie L. Wallace to Fulton G. Berry Lots 5, 6, 10-13 in Block 47 and 21-30 in Block 48 of Arlington Heights tract.

J. M. Fewings to G. W. Anderson S.½ of N.W.¼ of N.W.¼ of 6-14-22, subject to $1400 mortgage of November, 1907, payable to E. F. Bartels.

Samuel V. Epperson to B. Alice Barnes of Kings Lot 16 and E.½ of 15 in 33-17-20 Laguna de Tache; Jesse E. Epperson to same above land.

T. H. Baylis to J. S. Moore, also of Los Angeles, fractional W.½ and N.E.¼ of 6-19-15 of 522.03 acres; Moore to W. J. Conner above land.

Scott Burford to Grace M. Henley half interest in N.½ of N.E.¼ of N.E.¼ of 26-12-20 of 20 acres, subject to Truman C. White mortgage.

Will Peverill to Mattie T. Zediker S.E. ¼ of N.E.¼ of 19-15-23, subject to $445 mortgage.

Fresno Irrigated Farms company to David R. McGinnis 10 acres of S.E.¼ of S.E.¼ of N.W.¼ of 12-12-17.

George V. Robinson to B. S. Sides Lots 1-4 in Block 15 of Arlington Heights tract.

Alfred Jagger to F. G. Berry Lots 29 and 30 in Block 12 of Arlington Heights tract.

V. J. Clifford to Charles T. Reyburn S. ½ of S.W.¼ of N.E.¼ of 9-13-21 of 20 acres.

Charles P. Eells of San Francisco to W. H. Niswander N.½ of N.W.¼ of 20-14-14 of 80 acres.

A. V. Lisenby to John W. Baldwin S. E.¼ of Block 10 of Fresno Heights No. 2.

Houghton company of San Francisco to B. M. Stone 160 acres of N.W.¼ of 11-14-18.

MORTGAGE RECORD

Mary Vian to Bank of Central California Lots 5, 6 and 13 of Orangedale tract for $2000 for one year at 10 per cent, with the privilege of $2000 more.

G. C. Cannon to W. J. Kittrell Lots 7 and 8 and N.½ of 9 in Bloomington addition Block 6 for $550 payable January, 1911 at 8 per cent.

C. W. Vaughn assigned mortgage of April 9, 1908, to Emma C. Lisenby given by J. P. Saguaspe and Marie Camy for $1700.

H. P. Johnston assigned to Farmers' National bank of Fresno mortgage for $800 of December 17, 1908, by E. E. Farnsworth to Lulu J. Lang.

Nettie M. Norton to Williams Rurk Lot 48 and N.½ of 49 in Yosemite addition block 1 for $1400 for one year at 8 per cent.

Martin Hansen to People's Savings bank of Fresno E.½ of W.½ of N.E.¼ of 1-14-22 for $1500 for 2 years at 7½ per cent.

S. Enochian to G. S. Peterson of San Jose Lot 13 and 14 of Wolters Colony for $1200 for 3 years at 7½ per cent.

James H. Good to A. E. D. Scott N.W. ¼ of S.W.¼ of 14-13-21 for $5000 payable November 1, 1915, at 8 per cent.

H. F. Berryhill in People's Savings bank of E.½ of W.½ of N.W.¼ of 14-15-23 for $3750 for 2 years at 7½ per cent.

CROP MORTGAGES

Frederick Hakin to G. Brocks 1910 crops on 24-13-21 for $10,000 in payment of $5000 and two of $2500 on December 1, 1909, 1910 and 1911.

James B. and William Branch to Walter Scott company 1910 crops on S.W.¼ of S.E.¼ and S.½ of S.E.¼ of S.W.¼ of 12-16-21 for $300 before November 1, 1910 at 10 per cent.

CHATTEL MORTGAGE

T. G. Etter to Farmers and Merchants' Bank of Reedley 2 mares and horse for $350 on demand at 10 per cent.

LETTERS PATENT

State letters patent to S. M. Smoot for the N.W.¼ of S.E.¼ of 8-21-13 of 40 acres university lands, patent signed by George Stoneman as governor.

HOMESTEAD DECLARED

Emily M. Schlueter, wife of Oswald, has filed homestead declaration on Lots 27-30 in Block 6 of Altamont addition, valued at $3500.

OIL LAND SALE

Agreement of December 4, 1909, between Thomas Elrod of Kings and the 24 Oil company to sell the N.W.¼ of 34-20-15 for $33,800 payable $5350 before January 1, 1910, and as much more semi-annually until July, 1911, all deferred payments drawing 7 per cent, possession to pass upon making first payment and subject to year's lease on the premises with lien on all mechanical implements as security for purchase price.

AFTER LITIGATION

Myrtle Oil company of Oakland to W. A. Sutherland S.W.¼ of 13-21-14 of 160 acres; Ziegler Oil company of Oakland to same above 160 acres; Sutherland to M. K. Harris and Robert H. Smith, S. D. Porter and I. L. Mryner to Sutherland the above S.W.¼. These deeds follow long litigation with the Ziegler company.

MINING CLAIM TRANSFER

Milton Douglass to Thomas Gilbert of Oakland one-tenth interest in N.E.¼ of 22-20-14. Certificate also recorded of the sale by Milton Douglass of Coalinga to Thomas Gilbert of Oakland on October 30, 1909, of a tenth interest in the N.W.¼ of 22-20-14, receiving partial payment at the time and placing in escrow with H. C. Kerr deed with an agreement for payment of balance due in 90 days namely $400. Said payment has been made and Kerr is authorized to give up deed. Douglass is one of the patenting locators and B. L. Bryan and J. M. Skaggs of Hanford and Frank Cheney of Coalinga have deeded their interests to Cheney to secure patent in his name for the benefit of all interested under agreement that upon receiving patent the lands and moneys advanced on account of patenting shall deed their interest, Gilbert being authorized to make demand upon Cheney and the latter to make deed.

MINING LABOR PROOFS

J. H. Shinwalt makes affidavit for the Kings River Canyon Mining company as superintendent of work done on two quartz mining claims on Coffee creek north of the south fork of the Kings-Black Diamond Nos. 1 and 2, in getting out timbers for installing pump and making excavations for power plant, excavating soil along ledge, embracing the ledge on No. 1 and instmlling pump in shaft at point of intersection of the two claims, also getting out material for a house 12x24, and blasting a hole on the ledge.

Return Roberts of Madera makes proof of labor valued at $20,000 upon the 22 Oil company's claim in the N.½ of S.E.¼ of 33-19-15, the labor and improvements being to develop, work, hold and perfect the claim as a mineral location.

TEN YEARS' MILL LEASE

Agreement between Florence Markwood and Fresno Planing Mill for lease of Lots 5 and 6 in city block 57 for 10 years from January 1, 1910, at $25 monthly rental with right of removal of improvements added during the life of the lease, Robert Lachead is president and A. W. Bernhauer secretary of the company.

GIVEN TIME TO PAY

Frederick Hakin undertakes to pay interest on $4000 from December 1, 1909, until paid at the rate of 8 instead of 6 per cent on a note of $5000 due to C. Brocks of December 1, 1909, and dated June 11, 1908, secured by mortgage, Being able only to pay $1000 on the principal with interest up to the first, Brocks has agreed to extend the time for the balance to December 1, 1910.

THE RETAIL MARKETS

Fruits and Vegetables.

Apples—5c. per lb.
Garlic—20c. lb.
Celery—10c. bunch.
Dry Onions—2½c. lb.
Green Onions—2 for 5c.
Parsley—5c. bunch.
Turnips—2½c. bunch.
Carrots—2½c. bunch.
String Beans—10c. lb.
Radishes—2 bunches 5c.
Savory—5c. bunch.
Thyme—5c. bunch.
Lemons—15c. to 20c. dozen.
Oranges—20c. to 60c. dozen.
Potatoes—New, 2c. lb.
Sweet Potatoes—10 lbs. for 25c.
Cabbages—2½c. lb.
Lettuce—5c.
Hubbard Squash—2½c. lb.
Horseradish Roots—20c. lb.
Beets—2 bunches 5c.
Cashaws—15c. and 20c.
Lima Beans—2 lbs. for 25c.

Butter, Eggs and Honey.

Butter—30c. roll.
Colony Butter—65c. roll.
Eggs—45c. dozen.
Combed Honey—2 combs 25c.

Fresh Meats.

Beefsteak—10c. to 20c. per lb.; roast 10c. to 15c. lb.
Mutton—12½c. to 15c. per lb.
Lamb—15c. to 25c. per lb.
Pork—12½c. to 15c. per lb.
Veal—12½c. to 20c. lb.
Lard—15c. to 20c. per lb.

Dressed Stock.

Steer—7c. to 8c. lb.
Veal—6c. to 8c. per lb.
Chickens—Broilers, dressed, 25c. per lb. alive 18c. per lb.
Chickens—Dressed hen, 25c. per lb.; alive 12½c. per lb.
Chickens—Fryers, dressed, 30c. per lb.; Turkeys—Dressed 25½c. per lb.

Mill Stuffs.

Wheat—$2.25 cwt.
Barley—$1.25 sack.
Corn Meal—40c. per 10 lb. sack.
Graham Meal—40c. per 10 lb. sack.
Egyptian Corn—$1.85 per lb.
Flour—$1.85 per sack.
Bran—$31 ton.
Middlings—$33 ton; $1.85 sack.
Ground Alfalfa—$1.50 sack.
Cracked Wheat—40c. per 10 lb. sack.
Oat Meal—55c. per 10 lb. sack.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKET REPORT

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—Fruits — Fancy apples 75@100; common 50@65.

Berries—Strawberries 800; cranberries $9.00@12.50.

Grapes—Ordinary 50@85.

Pears—Common 75; fancy 100.

Pomegranates—150@200.

Persimmons—90@125.

Quinces—40@75.

Oranges—Navels, 165@250; Valencias nominal.

Mexican limes—400@450.

Lemons—Common California 150@260; good to choice 300@350; fancy 400@450.

Tropical fruits—Bananas 50@325; pineapples 200@300.

Beans—Pink 365@380; Lima 410@425; small white 475@500; large white 325@350

Potatoes—Oregon Burbanks 100@125; Salinas Burbanks 115@140; Merced Sweets 150@175.

Onions—Fancy 110; common 90.

Various—Green peas 8@10; string beans 8@12½; egg plant 5@7; green peppers 5@8; tomatoes 100@150; summer squash 75@125; rhubarb 5@6; garlic 4@6; cucumbers 50@75; mushrooms 15@40.

Butter—Fancy creamery 35½; seconds 31; fancy dairy 28.

Cheese—New 17½@19; Young America 17@19.

Eggs—Ranch 54; store 47.

Poultry—Live turkeys 28@23; dressed turkeys 25@28; roosters, old 400@600; roosters, young 600@800; broilers, small 300@350; broilers, large 400@450; fryers 450@600; hens 500@900; ducks, old 400@500; ducks, young 700@900; geese 150@250 pigeons, old 100@125; pigeons, young 200@250.

Flour—Family extras 560@700; bakers' extras 660@700; Oregon and Washington 560@550.

Wheat—Shipping 195@200; milling 195.

Barley—Feed 150@152½; brewing 152½@155; Chevalier 150@165.

Oats—Red 165@175; white 175@180; black 225@250.

Millstuffs—Middlings 3650@3750; mixed feed 2800@3300; rolled barley $2000@2300; oatmeal 440@440; oat groats 440; rolled oats 3700@3800.

Hay—Wheat 1400@1900; wheat and oat 1200@1700; oat, wild 1000@1400; oat tame 1200@1600; alfalfa 900@1200; straw 50@65.

Receipts—Flour 5956; wheat 1115; barley 2150; oats 1270; beans 1119; potatoes 5360; onions 1160; bran 1055; middlings 710; hay 410; hops 45; hides 115; wine 16,300.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Wheat firm; no trading; cash $1.95@$2.00.

Barley steady; May $1.55¼@$1c; cash $1.50@$1.52½.

Corn firm; large yellow $1.75@$1.80.

Afternoon session: Wheat firm; no trading.

Barley steady; May $1.53¼ bid; $1.55 asked; December $1.48¼ bid, $1.50 asked.

EASTERN QUOTATIONS

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Evaporated apples firm; December and January 7½@8c; spot fancy new crop 10¼@11½c; choice 9c; prime 7½@8c; old crop prime 7½c; common to fair 6½@7c.

Prunes steady; California up to 30-40's 2¾@3c; Oregons 6@9c.

Apricots quiet; choice 11¾@11½c; extra choice 11½@12c; fancy 12½@13½c.

Peaches steady; choice 4¾@5c; extra choice 7@11½c; fancy 7¾@8c.

Raisins quiet, Loose Muscatels 4@5½c; choice to fancy seeded 5½@6¾c; seedless 2½@6c; London layers $1.17½@$1.30.

CHICAGO.—Wheat was weak all day, with the exception of a short period at the start. During the day December sold between $1.12¾ and $1.14½. May ranged from $1.16½ to $1.15¾. Late in the session December displayed some recuperative power and advanced nearly a cent from the bottom, but the future delivery failed to rally. The close was heavy with prices ¾@½c higher to ¾@¾c lower, final figures on December being at $1.13 and on May at $1.10¾@¾.

General liquidation was the order in corn and the market was weak. The selling was based on extremely heavy deliveries yesterday on December contracts and on the prospect of further liberal deliveries today. Cash interests were free sellers of the December delivery which displayed the greatest weakness. The range for the current month was between 62¾ and 64c. Many ranged between 63 and 63½c.

Colder weather in the corn belt and an increase in contract stocks in store here were additional bearish factors. The market closed weak with prices down ¾ to 2c with December at 62¾ and May at 66¼c.

Oats were inclined to be weak owing to profit taking brought out chiefly by the break in wheat and corn. Prices closed ¾ to 1@1¼c lower.

Provisions closed 5 to 37½c lower.

PORTLAND.—Wheat: Track prices — Club $1.06; bluestem $1.17; red Russian $1.12; Turkey red $1.05; forty-fold $1.05; valley $1.05.

LIVERPOOL.—Close: Wheat, December 8s 2d; March 7s 10½d; May 7s 8¾d. Weather clear.

ST. LOUIS.—Wool unchanged, medium grades combing and clothing 24@30c; light fine 22@27c; heavy fine 17@21c; tub washed 26@38c.

NEW YORK.—Sugar: Raw steady; Muscovado 89 test $3.67; centrifugal 96 test $4.17; molasses sugar 89 test $3.42; refined quiet.

BOSTON.—Active bidding for 1910 clip continues one of the features in the local wool trade with 24 to 24¼ as a basis. There is also a demand springing up for Ohio delaine as well as for one-half and one-quarter blood. Interest in territory extends through greasy staple and clothing as well as various grades of scoureds.

Soured values—Texas fine 12 months 73@76c; six to eight months 68@70c; fine fall 60@62c; California Northern 68@70c; middle county 64@65c; fall free 60@52c; fall defective 50@45c.

Oregon eastern No. 1 staple 75@78c; eastern clothing 70@72c; valley No. 1 57@58c.

Territory: Fine staple 77@80c; fine medium staple 70@72c; fine clothing 70@72c; fine medium clothing 66@68c; half-blood 73@78c; three-eighths blood 68@70; quarter blood 67@68c.

Pulled wool extra 72@75c; fine A 68@70c; A supers 60@65c.

THE NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The stock market today was still characterized by the wide movements in stocks not usually prominent in the dealings. The sudden awakening into activity of these at advancing prices was accompanied in some cases by "deal" rumors. Here and there were slight signs of reinvestment demand in anticipation of the profits to be available for use after the first of the year. In band market where it is usually most marked, it has made no perceptible impression at all, the demand for bonds continuing up to this time.

The speculative movement was halting and irregular. The active strength of the first hour seemed to be taken advantage of to effect some distribution of stocks and the tone was drooping thereafter. The action of Reading was of large sympathetic effect in this result. That stock, after early strength, sold off on reports that the meeting of directors to act on the dividend would be held tomorrow.

Attention was attracted by a report that the United States Steel Corporation will assign preferred stock for subscription to employes this year in pursuance of the profit sharing plan, instead of the common stock, for which the employes were allowed to subscribe at 50 last January.

Preparations for enforcing the corporation tax are a cause of disquiet to corporations. Adroit use is being made in the speculation of the varying rumors of the merger of the so-called Guggenheim copper properties, of which official details were lacking today. Interest rates for sixty day and six months' loans were lowered today, with increased offerings and lessened demand. Call loans again touched 5 per cent although heavy disbursements for tomorrow including the Standard Oil dividend, did not seem to affect the market. Foreign exchange rates were higher again and gold was engaged for shipment to South America.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $3,322,000.

United States 2's advanced ½ per cent on call.

TREASURY BALANCE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The condition of the treasury at the beginning of business today was as follows:

Trust funds—Gold coin $874,566,869; silver dollars $468,828,000; silver dollars of 1890 $3,965,000; silver certificates outstanding $468,826,000.

General fund—Standard silver dollars in central fund $873,876; current liabilities $113,958,837; working balance in the treasury offices $24,227,302; in banks to credit of treasurer of the United States $37,614,992; subsidiary silver coin $15,539,212; minor coin $1,063,264; total balance in general fund $79,755,700.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Tabitha C. Harris, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Howard A. Harris, administrator of the estate of Tabitha C. Harris, deceased, to the creditors and all persons having claims against said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within four months after the first publication of this notice, to said administrator, at the office of M. B. Harris & E. M. Harris, in the First National Bank Building, in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, State of California, the same being the place for the transaction of business of said estate in the County of Fresno, State of California.

Dated: December 14th, 1909.

HOWARD A. HARRIS,
Administrator of the estate of Tabitha C. Harris, deceased.
M. B. Harris & E. M. Harris, attorneys for administrator.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Helen Boyd, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Maggie Northcraft, administratrix of the estate of Helen Boyd, deceased, to the creditors and all persons having claims against said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within four months after the first publication of this notice, to said administratrix, at the office of M. B. Harris & E. M. Harris, in the First National Bank Building, in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, State of California, the same being the place for the transaction of business of said estate in the County of Fresno, State of California.

Dated: December 14th, 1909.

MAGGIE NORTHCRAFT,
Administratrix of the estate of Helen Boyd, deceased.
M. B. Harris & E. M. Harris, attorneys for administratrix.

NOTICE OF AN ASSESSMENT.

Office of Drillers' Oil Company, a corporation, having its principal place of business at Room 16, Fiske Building in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, California.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Directors of said corporation held at its principal place of business as aforesaid, on the 14th day of Dec. A. D. 1909, an assessment of two and one-half cents per share was levied upon the capital stock of said corporation, payable to A. D. Ferguson, president of said company, at the office of said corporation, at Fresno, California, on or before January 15, 1910.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on January 17, A. D. 1910, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction and unless payment is made before, will be sold on February 7th, 1910, at 2 o'clock of said day for the purpose of paying such unpaid and delinquent assessments, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

G. G. MURRAY,
Secretary of said Corporation.
Fresno, Fresno County, California.

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2000	Aladdin (Fuhrman)	Bid
200	Alpine	1.10
1000	Amazon (Midway)	.25
118	Amy	2.30
1000	Blue Moon	.40
1000	Balbon	.05½
1000	Baird	.15
200	Blair	.40
1000	Best Yet	.50
5000	Big Scope	.15
1000	Call	3.00
1000	Canadian Pacific	.40
200	Coalinga Crown	.25
1000	Coalinga Crystal	.18
2000	Coalinga Consolidated	.20
100	Coalinga Pacific	8.00
1000	Coalinga Income	.50
10000	California Diamond	.03½
1000	California Midway	.20
18 2-3	Devils Den Imp. Co.	.19
500	Del Rey	2.70
100	De Luxe	.35
500	Echo	Bid
1000	Eastern Consolidated	3.25
1000	East Puente	.18
5000	Elsinore	.12½
3000	El Cerrito	3.00
1000	Empire	.45
200	Fresno & S. F.	.17½
1000	Fifty-Seven	.35
1400	Federal	.40
1000	Great Western	.20
1000	Great Divide	Bid
2832	Gray Gander	Bid
1000	S. N. G. Crude	.12½
1000	Gold Tip	.52
1000	Gypsy	.25
1000	Hanford Sanger	.37
200	Illinois Crude	Bid
1000	Jade	Bid
500	Jumbo	.60
1000	Johnson	.50
18	Knob Hill	12.50
1000	Liberty	.14
500	L. A. Coalinga	2.50
1000	Lady Washington	.13½
500	Loma Vista	Bid
500	Lucile	14.50
400	Muriel	.50
3500	Madison	.13
200	Marion	1.00
1000	Mountain Girl	.25
1000	Mt. Diablo	1.00
500	N. Y. Coalinga	.35
1000	Newport Bay	.06
1000	Netherlands	.75
250	North Pole (owns Blue Moon ground)	1.50
5000	North Coalinga	Bid
6000	New Bedford	.25
1000	Portola Petroleum (Treasury Stock)	.12½
2000	Pluto	.28
900	Premier	.75
1000	Pyramid	Bid
500	Pacific States	.66
50	Producers	3.50
1000	Red Top	.95
1000	Revenue	1.00
500	Rice Ranch	1.16
100	Rico	2.50
1000	Sapphire	.50
2000	San Diego Coalinga	.75
50	Silver Tip	3.40
1000	Seneca	1.20
1000	South Pole	.25
500	Section Six	Bid
200	Section 25	20.00
1000	San Juan	.75
20	S. F. McKittrick	34.00
500	Section Seven	.80
1000	Tannehill	.50
5000	Templor McKittrick	.08
3000	Templor Ranch	.17½
1000	Twenty-Two	.15
1000	Unity	.75
500	Visalia Non-Assessable	.25
1099	Ventura Development	.09
500	Valley	1.80
500	Wabash	Bid
1450	White Star	Bid
500	Ward	3.00
2000	Western Consolidated	Bid
1000	Walker	.25

MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS.

25	Burlingame T. & T. Co.	3.00
200	Collins Wireless Telephone	2.25
500	Jerome Development	.42
1000	Haynes Copper	.85
100	Mascot Copper	Bid
1000	Spring Tire	.17
2250	Treasure Key	Bid
500	Palo-Verde Mexico	Bid
500	Western Specialty	.50

STOCKS WANTED.

Producers' Transportation bonds or stock.

5000	Aaddin (Burr)	.16
100	Amy	2.20
500	Amazon Coalinga	.30
100	Bay City	Offer
5000	Blue Moon	.30
1000	Bear Creek	Offer
100	Call	2.50
2500	Canadian Queen	Offer
1000	Canadian Pacific	.25
500	De Luxe	2.40
500	Kern Star	Offer
25	Knob Hill	10.00
200	Lucile	12.50
500	Los Angeles Coalinga	Offer
1000	Majestic	Offer
500	Monte Cristo	Offer
5000	Mascot Midway	Offer
1000	Mt. Diablo	.75
1000	Midway Crude	Offer
500	National Petroleum	Offer
500	Overland	Offer
2000	Premier	.64
500	Pacific State Petroleum	Offer
2000	Palmer	Offer
1000	Red Top	.84
500	Section Seven	Offer
1000	Silver Tip	3.25
1000	San Juan	60
200	Valley	1.85

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BIDS FOR RAISINS.

The undersigned have for sale the following described raisins, to wit: About 7500 tons Muscats, about 800 tons Thompson Seedless, about 1200 tons Sultanas, about 200 tons Malagas, and will receive sealed bids therefor at the office of F. M. Chittenden Co., 2007 Mariposa St., Fresno City, Cal., until twelve o'clock m., Thursday, December 16th, 1909. No bids for less than the whole quantity of any one variety will be received.

Bids for the Muscat raisins must be accompanied by a certified check in the sum of five thousand dollars; for the Thompson Seedless raisins, in the sum of two thousand dollars; for the Sultana raisins, in the sum of two thousand dollars; and for the Malaga raisins, in the sum of one thousand dollars.

Bids will be publicly opened by the undersigned, at the above address, at one o'clock p. m., Friday, December 17th, 1909.

Further information as to the terms of the sale of said raisins will be furnished at said address from 10 a. m. till 4 p. m. of each day until twelve o'clock, Thursday, December 16th, 1909.

The undersigned reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

T. H. LYNCH,
A. L. BAYRD,
D. S. SNODGRASS,
Trustees.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Hamlet R. Brown, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, George R. Andrews, administrator of the estate of Hamlet R. Brown, deceased, to the creditors and all persons having claims against said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within four months after the first publication of this notice to the said administrator, at the office of said administrator, Room 14, in the First National Bank Building, in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, State of California, the same being the place for the transaction of business of said estate in the County of Fresno, State of California.

Dated: December 1st, 1909.

GEO. R. ANDREWS,
Administrator of the estate of Hamlet R. Brown, deceased.
M. R. Harris & E. M. Harris, attorneys for administrator.

SUMMONS
No. 13493.

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California

A. M. Drew & F. C. Huebner, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

P. McRae, plaintiff, vs. Abadin Ruiz, sometimes known as Abadin Ruiz, also Abadain Ruiz, Abadin Ruiz, also Abadil Ruiz, also Abadin Plus, John Doe, Jane Doe, Richard Roe and Mary Roe, defendants.

The People of the State of California send greeting to Abadin Ruiz, sometimes known as Abadian Ruiz, also Abadian Ruiz, also Abadin Ruiz, also Abadil Ruiz, also Abadin Plus, John Doe, Jane Doe, Richard Roe and Mary Roe, defendants:

You are hereby directed to appear and answer the complaint in an action entitled as above, brought against you in the Superior Court of the said County of Fresno, State of California, within ten days after the service on you of this summons—if served within this County; or within thirty days if served elsewhere.

And you are hereby notified that unless you appear and answer as above required, the said plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the complaint, as arising upon contract, or he will apply to the court for any other relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Superior Court of the said County of Fresno, State of California, this 25th day of October, A. D. 1909.

(Seal) W. O. MILES, Clerk.
By D. M. Burnwell, Deputy Clerk.
Endorsed: No. 13493. Superior Court, County of Fresno. Department No. 1.
P. McRae, plaintiff vs. Abadin Ruiz, etc., et al., defendant. Summons.
A. M. Drew, F. C. Huebner, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

No. 2681, Dept. 1.

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Jean Laussaud, deceased.

Marie Laussaud, as administratrix of the estate of Jean Laussaud, deceased, having filed herein her verified petition praying for an order of this court authorizing and empowering her to lease that portion of the real property of the estate of said decedent, hereinafter described,

It is therefore ordered that all persons interested in said estate be and they are hereby required to appear before this court or judge thereof on Monday, December 20, 1909, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., in Department 1 of said court, in the court room thereof, in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, State of California, then and there to show cause, if any there be why that certain realty, being:

The Southeast quarter (S.E.¼) of the Southeast quarter (S.E.¼) of Section 1, Township 14, South, Range 20, East, Mount Diablo Base & Meridian, situated in the said County of Fresno, should not be leased for the period of five years, at a rental of $400 per year for the first two of said years and for $600 per year for the remaining three years of said lease, and for further particulars of said lease, reference is hereby made to said petition above mentioned filed herein on this December 4, 1909.

December 4, 1909.

H. Z. AUSTIN,
Judge of the Superior Court.

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT

San Juan Oil Company, a corporation. Location of principal place of business Fresno, Fresno County, Cal. Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Board of Directors, held on the 28th day of October, 1909, an assessment (No. 1) of 15c per share was levied upon the capital stock of the corporation payable on the 20th day of November, 1909, in United States gold coin, to Geo. H. Smith, secretary of the said company at the City of Fresno, Cal., at Tulare and I streets. Any stock upon which the assessment shall remain unpaid on the 20th day of Dec. 1909, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before, will be sold on the 10th day of January, 1910, at 3 o'clock p. m. to pay the delinquent assessment together with the costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

GEO. H. SMITH, Secretary.
Tulare and I streets. P. O. Box 595. Fresno, Cal.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Riverside Vineyard Company, a corporation, will be held at the home office of the company, Room No. 10, Union National Bank Building, Marposa street, Fresno, California, on Monday, the 10th day of January, 1910, at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing a board of directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

The transfer books of the company will close on Friday, December 31st, 1909, at 3 o'clock p. m.

HENRY HAWSON,
Secretary of the Riverside Vineyard Company.
Fresno, California, Dec. 10th, 1909.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Mary J. Mitchel, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Blanche I. Mitchel, administratrix of the estate of Mary J. Mitchel, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said administratrix at the office of Frank Knoke, attorney at law, in room 5 of the Temple Bar Building, in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, State of California, which said office the said undersigned selects as the place for the transaction of the business of the said estate.

Dated this 27th day of November, 1909.

BLANCHE I. MITCHEL,
Administratrix of the estate of Mary J. Mitchel, deceased.
Date of first publication, November 28, 1909.

NOTICE OF AN ASSESSMENT

Office of the Twenty-two Oil Company (a corporation), having its principal place of business at Rooms 7 & 8, Fiske Building, in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, California.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Directors of said corporation held at its principal place of business as aforesaid, on the 22nd day of Nov. A. D. 1909, an assessment of two cents per share was levied upon the capital stock of said corporation payable to J. G. Roberts, treasurer of said company, at Madera, California, on or before January 20th, 1910.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the day fixed as above will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction and unless payment is made before, will be sold on March 15th, 1911, at 10 o'clock a. m., to pay the delinquent assessments together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

E. A. WILLIAMS,
Secretary of said corporation, Fresno, Fresno County, California.

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THE NEW CORNER—Sandwiches, tamales a specialty. I and Kern. Main 1026.

FRESNO TENT AND AWNING CO., 1942 and 1944 Fresno. Phone Main 663.

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THE NICEST little dairy in Fresno, everything clean and up to date. Your orders attended to at once. 612 J St. Main 3077.

COMMERCIAL FURNITURE CO.—Second hand furniture and stoves bought and sold, nice line of new goods. Repairing a specialty. Phone Main 510. 1251 J St. J. Burke Stevens & H. E. Tatman, props.

ROYAL CAFE, 1836 Mariposa Street—Excellent 20c. meals. Phone Main 510.

LOST

LOST—On Tulare St. Monday night small gun metal watch. Return 905 K St. Phone 2913.

LOST—Gold fraternity pin. Finder please notify this office.

LOST—Lady's brown purse in San Jose Hotel or on J St. between Fresno and Merced. Phone Main 2579. Reward.

LOST—Two bill books containing bills. Return to Turf saloon and receive reward.

LOST—Lady's blue jacket. Return to 2320 Los Angeles St.

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FOUND—A place to have hats remodeled for turbans made to order with your old hats. Mrs. Marie Orr. 119 Thesta Main 1438.

MISCELLANEOUS

MRS. ANNA GRIFFIN, spiritual medium. Hours 1 to 5 p. m. Circle Wednesday eve, 2019 Calaveras St. Main 1651.

HAVE YOU A BOY?—If not let us send you one. We want country homes for boys of all ages. Arrangements to suit Children's Home Society, N. F. Hoffmann, 2421

MEETING NOTICES

O. O. O. EVERY MONDAY night. A. O. U. W. hall. M. Bibby, Sec.

GEORGE A. CUSTER CIRCLE NO. 18—Ladies of the G. A. R. meet first and third Saturday afternoons of each month at 1:30 o'clock. Risley hall on Fresno street. Mrs. Minnie M. Mudge, president, Addie L. Gross, secretary.

ATLANTA POST, G. A. R.—Meets the first and third Saturdays of each month at 2 p. m. at Risley hall, Fresno street. All members in good standing invited. Leroy Taylor, Com. H. V. Parker, Adjt.

FOR SALE—Real Estate

IDEAL COAST HOME TO EXCHANGE
35 ACRES, 15 in apples 6 years, 10 berries and garden land, balance pasture land, 5 room house, barn.
WILL TRADE for Fresno property.

51 ACRES FINE LAND TO EXCHANGE
Small house, barn, well, etc. Very best of soil. Price cash $1500. Will take city property in exchange to $2500. Nothing cash for 4 years.
H. R. SIMPSON LAND CO., Fiske Bldg.

FOR SALE—5 acres improved, plastered and hard wood finished house and buildings. Phone Sub. 3324.

FOR SALE—6 room cottage strictly modern, ideal location, a great sacrifice, D. W. Matthew & Co., 2128 Tulare.

$40 ACRES near Caruthers, $17.50 per acre, sandy loam soil. Snap.
THREE ROOM house and 3 lots, windmill, fruit trees. Snap, $1000.
SMALL HOUSE, two lots, $750, windmill, shade, close to car.
TWO ACRES, 7 room house, $2700, nicely located, beautiful home.
20 ACRES close to Fresno, nice and level with water right. Snap at $2000. A1 soil See us.
20 ACRE VINEYARD FOR $3500
HOUSE, barn and farm tools, solid vineyard 3 years old; easy terms.
40 ACRES SOLID ALFALFA, $5000
HOUSE, barn, windmill and shade.
H. R. SIMPSON LAND CO., Fiske Bldg.

MONEY TO LOAN ON REAL ESTATE
$1750—5 room cottage, $200 cash.
$1500—5 room cottage, $150 cash.
$2200—6 room house, $350 cash.
$1600—5 room cottage, $250 cash.
$2500—6 room cottage, $500 cash.
THESE PLACES are all in north or east part of town and unusual bargains. $20 to $40 per month on balance. Be wise, pay rent to yourself.
W. E. BUSH & CO., 1140 J. Main 1425

FOR SALE by owner, modern five room cottage home. 556 Van Ness Ave.

FOR EXCHANGE—Brick block worth $51,000 in prosperous town for exchange for tract of land.
FOR SALE—800 acres eucalyptus land at $25 per acre.
FOUR CHOICE alfalfa ranches cheap on easy terms.
WE HAVE a large list of 20 and 40 acre vineyards. Among them are some cheap buys.
OWN YOUR own home. Call and see our list of houses. We give you almost any terms you want.
SAN JOAQUIN INVESTMENT CO.
1154 I St.

FREE! FREE! FREE!
40 ACRE vineyard 4 miles out; can be had by taking up mortgages on same. Place sold short time ago for $11,000. Chance to double your money. Investigate at once. No information by phone.
SAN JOAQUIN INVESTMENT CO.
1154 I St.

RAW LAND! RAW LAND! RAW LAND!
TWO MILES from Clovis, suitable for alfalfa, trees and vines. Prices and terms to suit. Adjoining lands are bringing from $25 to $50 per acre more than we ask.
SAN JOAQUIN INVESTMENT CO.
1154 I St.

ALFALFA! ALFALFA!

40 ACRES, all good stand, right where you would pick it out, for $5000.

40 ACRES, close thereby, and its only competitor, with A1 alfalfa, $5500.

THESE WILL compete with any alfalfa ranch in the valley, including those they sell in Merced and Stanislaus counties for $200 per acre.

THERE IS a big bank account in these places for you. Grab them.

WM. E. G. SAUNDERS
Rooms 1 & 2, Short Bldg.

40 ACRES positively proven ground. Midway fields. If sold before 15th can be had for $350 acre.
R. B. THOMPSON, 1136 J St.

FOR SALE—
$4500—Modern 6 room house, North J St.
$1500—6 room house on Effie St.
$5000—20 acre A1 vineyard, good location.
ED MITCHELL CO. or THOS E. BRALY, 2022 Mariposa St. Main 2211.

FOR SALE—By owner: Modern 6 room cottage, fine location, easy terms. $2500. Call at 3035 Fresno St.

FOR SALE—20 or 40 acre tracts 6 miles from Fresno, good for peaches, vines or oranges. No payment required if land is improved. Address F. R., Box 57, Republican.

FOR SALE—A fine suburban 40 acre raisin vineyard, 4 miles east Fresno on car line. Owner, Box 59, Republican.

FOR SALE—Modern cottage, furnished, 6 lots, shade and fruit trees. See
A. T. ELLIS, 1130 I St.

10 ACRE orchard 4 miles out, fine buildings. Must be sold. $3500, terms.
10 ACRES near Fowler, 1 acre peaches, 1 acre family orchard and berries, 7 acres alfalfa, 4 cows, house, farming implements, buildings, $2700.
20 ACRES Muscat vineyard, 4 years old; near Lone Star, buildings, $4250. Terms.
75 ACRES orchard and vineyard adjoining Sanger south, buildings, $4250, terms.
21½ ACRE orchard 5 and 8 years old, fine producers, 7 room house, fine location, $4500. Terms.
40 ACRES alfalfa, near Rolinda, fenced and cross fenced, buildings, $5000. Terms.
FINEST 80 ACRES in Fresno, mostly Muscats, $6000 net income, trays, boxes stock, farming implements, buildings, 6 miles east, $24,000, 1-2 cash, balance to suit.
FINE LOTS on Ventura Ave., $150.
ONE ACRE, 5 acre and 10 acre tracts near town, a fine list.
CAN SUIT any buyer on city or country property. See our list before buying.
RAW LAND, with water, on easy terms, east of city.
ALEXANDER LAND CO, 1050 J St.

FORTY ACRE ranch, all leveled and partly set out in fruit trees, good well, new pump, new small house and good sized barn. Will sell 20 acres if desired. ½ cash and rest on easy terms. Address Ranch, Box 56, Republican.

FOR SALE—40 acre ranch, will sell in two 20 acre pieces if desired. Houses, barns, etc. Price $10,000. N. Sakomato, Clovis, Cal.

ALFALFA LAND
40 ACRES in center of Hite land district. Price only $50 per acre. Adjoining lands selling at $80 to $100 per acre.
STEBBINS & CO., 2029 Fresno St.

LARGE AND SMALL tracts of land for sale; also land rented for pasture. Isaac Myer, Real Estate Agent, Mendota, Cal.

BUY
RAW LAND
NEAR TOWN
FINE RED sandy loam soil, level. Church, water and ditches on land. Sold in 5's, 10's 20's and 40's, only $100 per acre, ¼ down, 6 per cent interest. Also acre lots joining city on east, ¼ down.
THE LOCATION is worth all we ask for the above lands. Values are near town.
CRUTCHER & BARRICK
2039 Mariposa St.

FOR SALE—Real Estate

CITY REAL ESTATE
THIS IS OUR SPECIALTY—We have what you want in city property. If you will only let us show you what we have to offer.
HOUSES AND LOTS that suit, or lots for your residence.
NO TROUBLE TO SHOW PROPERTY

DO YOU own a lot? Our lots are sold on easy terms. You can get them as low as 10 per cent cash.
LOTS IN the additions are selling very fast, particular buyers find them profitable as they improve so fast.
EWING-McDANIEL CO., 1038 J St.

$5000 TO $10,000 worth of San Diego real estate to exchange for good oil stocks. Address P. O. Box 1383, Fresno, Cal.

15 ROOM boarding and lodging house, best location, netting over $100 per month. Easy terms.
5 ROOM modern cottage, $1300, $350 cash.
4 ROOM modern cottage, good location, $1550.
5 ROOM modern cottage, good location, to trade for unimproved lots.
HOUSE and lots in Los Angeles, good location, to trade for country property.
SEE US for houses or lots in any part of the city.
SEE US before buying vineyards, orchards or alfalfa lands, improved or unimproved.
ELLIS BROS., 1130 I St. Phone Main 687.

FOR SALE—280 acres unimproved land 1½ miles from Clovis. Your own terms. G. M. Boles, Frisco Market.

FOR SALE—20 acres full bearing Muscat vineyard at a bargain. Near Del Rey. Address C. R. No. 38, Republican.

SMITH & CONNELLY.
$1250—New 4-room bungalow with 2 lots outside city limits; half cash, or will take $250 cash and clear city lots as part payment.
$2000—7-room cottage with 2 lots. Owner wants to leave town; will take horses or mules in part payment.
$1800—Nice 5 room cottage, 2 lots, fine new barn, extra fine shade all around lots, gas and electric light; only $600 cash.
$1500—Fine 4-room cottage outside city, lots 60x140, with splendid shade. Five minutes' walk from Fortheamp car line. Fine home place; only $250 cash.
$2300—Beautiful new modern 5-room cottage with all conveniences, 2 blocks from Blackstone car; part cash.
5 acres strawberries and peaches, with house and barn, extra fine land and close to town. Big income from berries next year. Land growing in value fast, and new street car. Come and find out.
5 acres of vines, trees and alfalfa close to town, sandy soil; $1500, and only $400 cash.
10 acres of the finest peaches and Emperor grapes in the county and close to town; house and barn. Let us show it to you.
33 acres of Muscats, plums and peaches, all bearing, house, barn and tools, $7500; will take $2000 cash, $2000 city property and $3500 mortgage or will take $4000 in clear city property.
$2000 profit in one year's time on a $5500 investment. Come to the office for details.
$900 to $1250—2½ acres of land for a suburban home; only one-tenth down and 9 years to pay the balance.
$13,000 for 40 acres of Muscats and Thompsons, 10 acres of peaches and 10 of alfalfa, house and barn, first class land, trees and vines all young, but in full bearing; $4000 cash, and balance easy. The best bargain in county. For a few days only.
SMITH & CONNELLY.
1151 J Street. Phone Main 608

$4000 BUYS choice forty, one mile north of Reedley; ten acres peaches, seven acres Muscats, balance partly leveled and first class for oranges; large new barn. Address 1716 I St., Fresno. Phone Main 3135.

FOR SALE—Business corner, 100x100, on Tulare.
J. ED. MITCHELL CO. or THOS. E. BRALY, 2022 Mariposa St. Main 2211.

FOR SALE—
5 ACRES close to Fresno, improved to trees and alfalfa, good buildings, $650 cash, balance easy.
20 ACRES—15 alfalfa, 2½ barley, 2½ pasture; $800 will handle this place.
40 ACRES, 1 mile from town, heavy producer, $3500. Your own terms on the balance.
40 ACRE improved, $10 per acre will handle this place. Good land.
CHRISTIANSEN & HENRIKSEN
1143 J St., Fresno

EVERY MAN has an opportunity once in a life time to become independent.

THIS IS YOUR CHANCE

40 ACRES, all alfalfa, splendid stand, house, barn, etc., fenced and cross fenced, good water right, for only $5000, ½ cash, balance easy payments.

160 ACRES fine rich land for $5000, less than $32 an acre, $2000 cash, 2½ miles from station.

80 ACRES—28 Muscats, 14 peaches, 30 alfalfa, 6 room house, barn, windmill, water right, pumping plant, scales, all farming tools, only 7 miles out, shipping station at ranch. $13,000, $4500 cash, balance plenty of time.

LOTS at all kinds of prices in all parts of city.

FIVE ROOM house, hard finish, well equipped in every particular, lot 37½x150. $2300, $1100 cash.

160 ACRES oil land, Coalinga district. Very cheap if sold at once.

WE WRITE INSURANCE
HALE, LOFFTUS & CO.,
1932 Mariposa St. Main 1460.

ACRE LOTS, $500
5 ACRE LOTS, $500
40—18 acres in No. 1 vines, 2 orchard, fine residence, fine barn, all fenced, all first class land. A snap at $6500.
20—All in peach trees, full bearing, fine house and a beautiful home, also a grand income, $6500.
20—All Muscat vines, near town, $6000.
35—5 acres peaches, nice new 5 roomed house, good barn, 6 h. p. pumping plant $2500.
10—Raw land, 4 roomed house, $650.
20—12 in alfalfa, 5 orchard, house and barn, near town, cheap place, $3000.
5—1 acre alfalfa, 4 peach trees, 4 roomed house, barn and implements, near town, $1500.
CRITCHER & BARRICK
2039 Mariposa St.

ORANGE LAND

FIRST CLASS soil, water 15 feet lift, one of the best producing places in the valley located near this land.
SEE HABER BROS. CO., 1140 J St.

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Choice Building Lots $100.00 to $135.00.

Water to be Piped to Every Lot.

$10.00 Down

$1.00 a Week

No Interest—No Taxes

3½ Blocks North of Fresno Street Car Line

L. W. KLEIN & CO.,
1154 I Street.

A SNAP—160 acres 10 miles from Fresno, 140 acres in alfalfa, 20 acres raw, $100 per acre, $30 cash, balance to suit purchaser.
MOORE & OWEN, 1034 J St.

$1,400—22 ACRES good alfalfa and orange land, five miles east of Reedley, Fresno Co. Perpetual water right. I must sell. E. C. McKesson, Modesto, Cal.

FOR SALE—Real Estate

HAVE YOU SEEN EL CAPITAN?

WE HAVE a five acre home only ½ mile from city limits. Six room house. All kinds of berries. Some alfalfa. Good chicken yard and small barn. Everything ready to move in.

JOIN THE excursion. Leaves Pierce & Anderson's every ten minutes for El Capitan.

THE TEN ACRES, with new house, on Kearney Ave. will be sold this week. If you want it you had better speak quick.

CITY WATER piped to every lot in El Capitan.

40 ACRES four miles west on Belmont Ave. 27 acres in vines, 9 acres in Muir peaches, four years old. Six room house, barn, sheds, trays, sweat boxes and tools; all for $11,500.

WE HAVE a fine 120 acres of Muscat vineyard, which we will sell cheap. Let us show it to you before you ask the price.

A YOUNG MAN said the other night: "I am prepared for the future. I have two lots in El Capitan."

WE HAVE several sections of land on the West Side. They are cheap. Put water on them and you can raise anything, even to the price.

HOUSES

WE HAVE one large, two story, modern house, with a fine big barn, on corner lots 75x150, situated on North K St. Price $16,000.

TWO FIVE ROOM houses on Poplar Ave. $1350 and $1400. Come in and get terms. They pay 10 per cent of value.

LOTS

2 AND ½ LOTS, Fortheamp Ave., $2000.

2 LOTS, North J St., $2000.

2 LOTS, P St., $1400.

8 LOTS R St., $350 each.

4 LOTS, Clark St., $350 each.

4 LOTS, Calaveras Ave., $400 each.

WE HAVE cheap lots on D, E, F and G streets.

EXCHANGE—Vacant lots in Oakland for lots in Fresno.

ALWAYS BEAR IN MIND
THAT IT WILL PAY YOU
TO SEE
PIERCE & ANDERSON
FOR LANDS, HOUSES AND LOTS
1152 J St. Phone Main 55.
LOS ANGELES BRANCH OFFICE
214 MERCANTILE PLACE

IN SELMA—Beautiful home on West Front St. Nice modern house of six rooms, all conveniences of a nice home, located on lot 100x190 with vacant lots adjoining 400x190. Would trade for Los Angeles property if suited. Address Property, Box 38, Republican.

40 ACRES 6 miles from town, nicely improved, house, barn, windmill and tank, trees and vines on part of it, good bargain, $4500.
40 ACRES—20 in vines all level. Can you beat it? $4000.
40 ACRES—About 10 acres in vines, the balance level and ready to plant. $3500.
THESE ARE three bargains we want to show you.
MOORE & OWEN, 1034 J St.

80 ACRES A1 unimproved land. Price $1500, $400 cash. If you want dairy land this is your chance.
FRESNO CREAMERY CO., 1142 J St.

DAIRY RANCH of 160 acres, first class alfalfa land, 60 acres improved, at Raisin City. Price $3750, $1000 cash.
FRESNO CREAMERY CO., 1142 J St.

FOR TRADE—65 acres first class alfalfa land to trade for Fresno residence property. Land is checked and has good water right. Price $65 per acre.
STEBBINS & CO., 2029 Fresno St.

FOR SALE—
640 ACRES, fine eucalyptus land, heavy black soil, all level, under canal, $25 per acre.
160 ACRES near Caruthers, $50 per acre, easy terms. Will divide.
5 ROOM hard finished house. Poplar Ave., $1900, easy terms.
7 ROOM house and 4 lots in Prather's addition, $1400.
2 ACRES with 8 room house, horse, buggy and harness, $2700.
2 LOTS on P St. near Tulare, $700.
2 LOTS on White Ave., 1 block car line, $225 each, $20 down, $10 per month.
KITTRELL AND NEES
1144 J St.

QUALITY COLONY
QUALITY COLONY

THIS IS THE FINEST
RAW LAND
FOR SALE
ON THE MARKET
IT IS LAND with a rich sandy loam that will produce most prolifically grapes, peaches, figs, etc. This tract is just 2 miles from Sanger. Prosperous vineyards and orchards now surround Quality Colony. There is just a little more of this land for sale. Price $80 per acre. Easy terms. See us at once.
PIERCE & ANDERSON
1152 J St. Phone Main 55

FOR SALE—City property on terms if desired. Houses for rent and fire insurance sold at Gill's, 1043 Fresno.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE for large stock ranch, one 20-acre ranch, two 40 acre ranches, house and 2 lots in Fresno, 1 stallion. A. L. Allen, R. D. No. 4, Fresno.

A RARE CHANCE
MODERN 7 ROOM house and 3 lots nicely improved, corner property. Only $2800.
TO TRADE—5 room house, value $1800, for acre lot.
40 ACRES improved, 7 room house, good buildings. Price $7000, cash $5000.
TO RENT
SEE US FOR office rooms in the Edgerly block, now being remodeled, corner J and Tulare Sts.
PEARSON'S REALTY EXCHANGE
1316 Tulare St.

FOR SALE—40 acres 8 miles out; 8 acres 12 year old Thompson Seedless vineyard and 32 acres just sown alfalfa, first class. Price $3760, 1-3 cash. Fresno Creamery.

IF YOU want to sell your city or country property list with D. W. MATHEW & CO., 2128 Tulare.

FOR SALE—
40 ACRES—35 acres alfalfa, 10 acres vacant, house and big barn. East Selma. Price $3500, $2500 cash.
40 ACRES—25 acres peaches, 13 acres vines, 6000 trays, 80 sweat boxes, close to town. Price $12,000, $4000 cash.
69 ACRES, price $6000. Can be bought without any cash payment.
30 ACRES—5½ acres trees, 1½ acres Sultana, 10 acres Muscats, 3 acres alfalfa, small house and barn. Price $3000 $2000 cash.
FOR FULL particulars address
SELMA LAND CO., Selma, Cal.

MENDOTA LANDS—See Al Braverman.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—5 acres good land near town. Address P. O. Box 141.

FOR SALE—Real Estate

FOR SALE—By owner, Al, 20 acre Muscat vineyard. Geo. F. Brown, Lone Star Cal.

A GOOD SPECULATION
640 ACRES first class alfalfa land 7 miles of railroad, good water right. Price only $25 per acre.
STEBBINS & CO., 2029 Fresno St.

ORANGE LAND, an abundance of water piped along high side of each lot, fruit and alfalfa lands, water ditched to each lot. Prices and terms reasonable. Address E. C. Betebenner, Wahtoke P. O., Fresno Co., Cal.

FOR SALE—Several fine tracts of land around and near Clovis in 5 acre tracts to 160, improved and unimproved. Call on or write to C. H. Clifford, Clovis.

40 ACRES good land. A bargain at $3200.
20 ACRES—15 in good alfalfa, $2100.
40 ACRES good land all improved in vines and trees, close to Fresno. Will take part payment in town property. Price $12,000.
I HAVE 10 acres 5 miles east of Selma, good 6 room house, barn and outbuildings, trays, boxes, implements, horse, cow and chickens. A good home for $5000. Will take house in Fresno as part payment.

CITY PROPERTY
GOOD 6 ROOM house, $2000.
5 ROOM house, $1400.
8 ROOM house on K St., $1600.
6 ROOM house on M St., $2500.
3 LOTS on Van Ness with some improvements, $1050.
CHAS. ERICKSEN, 1140 J St.

LINDA TRACT AND TOWNSITE

15 MILES north of Fresno, 5 miles north of Herndon and 5 miles south of Madera.

1900 ACRES placed on the market in subdivisions of 20 acres and up.

COME EARLY and take your pick.

FINE LAND for alfalfa, trees or vines. No alkali, land level, ready for planting.

PRICES $55 to $70 per acre. One-fourth cash, balance easy.

LET US show you this land before you buy elsewhere.

SUNSET REALTY COMPANY
1928 Mariposa St., Fresno, Cal.
W. L. Chappell, P. Rice & H. Jacobsen
Managing Directors

TO TRADE by owner, 50 acres for city property. Phone Main 2497.

WANTED—Miscellaneous

WANTED—A Jersey bull, to buy or to pasture 2 cows with. Address, stating if he is registered, price, location, etc., Geo. B. Otis, Selma, California.

WANTED—Vines and trees to graft. Any size vineyard contracted for. Address W. Tardif, R. R. No. 9, East and Jensen Aves., Fresno.

WANTED—Will pay cash for your household goods of all kinds. Phone Main 705 or call at 1916 Fresno St., near I St.

WANTED TO RENT—25 acres of alfalfa land for dairy. Address Dairy, Republican office, Box 15.

WANTED—To do laundry work in your home. Main 2028.

WANTED—Teams to haul brick. Apply at works, 3 miles north of Fresno on Santa Fe railroad.

WANTED—Quantity of second hand barb wire. See D. E. Kunde, Main 2527.

WANTED—Calves, chickens and turkeys. 3015 Ventura. Main 3141.

WANTED—Plain sewing and children's clothes. 120 Abby St. Phone Black 2152.

WILLOW PLUMES made, feathers cleaned, colored, curled. 237 Effie St. Main 962.

WANTED—Midway crude oil shares. Will pay 38 cents per share. Address C., Box 53, Republican.

MAN OF 93 years, with helper, wants hauling, moving, or any kind of work that can be done with a 2 horse spring wagon. T. H. H. Gibbs. Main 883.

WANTED—Agents for a quick selling article. Exclusive territory cheap, all of the state of California, except Alameda county, for sale. Everything furnished if desired, very little capital needed. Apply to J. Ed. Mitchell Co., 2022 Mariposa St. Main 2211.

WANTED—8 or 10 h. p. engine, 10 or 12 h. p. boiler. State price, maker, how long used. J. H. Butler, Visalia, Cal.

LOST—Scotch collie. Return to Dr. H. J. Craycroft and receive reward.

WANTED—By elderly gentleman board and room in private family. C. S., Box 51, Republican.

FAMILY OR single washing and ironing. Phone Main 2319 J. Work guaranteed.

WANTED—Work by non-union carpenter, contract or day work, city or country. Red 2202.

THE OLIVER typewriter agency will sell you on payments of $5 monthly. R. W. Depriest, agent, 910 J St. Main 1071.

WANTED—Room and board, with use of piano, by young man. O. N., Box 35, Republican.

FOR RENT—Chance hall four nights a week. Phone Main 855.

GET ARTIST materials, beautiful pictures and up to date framing at 1933 Fresno St. Paris Art Studio.

WANTED—To rent alfalfa land for dairy Thomsen, Box 172, R. 3, Fresno.

HIGHEST PRICES paid for second hand furniture. Tulare Furniture store and repair shop, 2230 Tulare. Main 2529.

WANTED—Old discarded jewelry; will transform it into new or buy it. Fresno Jewelry factory, over Hollands'.

Musical Instructors

MRS. LILLIAN DILLABAUGH, piano studio, 1033 I, over Barrett and Hicks. State 2138.

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THE RIGGS STUDIOS—Voice and violin. 1358 L St. Phone Main 1749.

ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW

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ATKESWORTH AND SPROUSE, attorneys-at-law, offices Short Bldg., 1031 J St.

TAKEN UP

TAKEN UP—Red cow, no marks, 5 or 6 years old. C. Indresen, ½ mile West Rolinda Store, R. 3, Box 168.

MULE FOUND—Owner identify and pay charges. A. J. Jones, ranch 1½ miles S. Parlier.

STENOGRAPHERS

JENNIE WATKINS, stenographer, notary public. Operates Edison business phonograph. Entrance Forsyth Building. Main 792.

Edith Wilson, stenographer and typewriter, 1040 J St. Phone Main 1005.

EDITH L. HAMILTON, notary public, stenographer. 103 Land Company Bldg. Main 1356.

FOR RENT—Houses

FOR RENT—5 room cottage, 770 Calilach St., $12.50 per month. C. L. Miller at People's Savings bank.

FOR RENT—New unfurnished flat, modern, complete, close in. 1238 O St.

FOR RENT—Furnished 6 room modern cottage, 2746 Merced St. Phone Black 2199.

FOR RENT—Furnished cottage, 1351 Q St.

FOR RENT—House, city water, gas. Inquire 1393 Angus St. Black 2178.

FOR RENT—Five roomed unfurnished cottage. Apply 1428 J St.

FOR RENT CHEAP—2 room house in rear of 126 Calaveras Ave. No children.

FOR RENT—Modern 6 room, house. 3310 Tulare. Inquire 970 Angus. Main 1400.

FOR RENT—Swell 6 room, modern, new flat, with new carpets and linoleum for every room, only $150. Rent of flat $35. Possession on the 15th of December. Must sell carpets by Thursday. 1263 R St.

FOR RENT—6 room house, $14. Inquire 311 Thesta St.

FOR RENT—4 room cottage close in, $15. Call at 1411 N St.

FOR RENT—3 roomed house. Apply 340 Froelich Ave.

FOR RENT—Rooms

FOR RENT—Furnished 3 room apartment, no children. 1430 I St.

TWO FURNISHED rooms for housekeeping, electric light, no children. 920 M St.

NICELY FURNISHED housekeeping single rooms. 836 O St.

FOR RENT—3 unfurnished housekeeping rooms, gas and electric lights, ground floor, one block from court house park. $16. Inquire at 916 M St.

TWO FURNISHED housekeeping rooms 1544 N St.

FOR RENT—2 furnished rooms in new bungalow, all convenient. Call Main 2765 or 3427 Kern St.

FOR RENT—One nicely furnished single room. The Kemper. 1421 J.

FURNISHED rooms, bath, hot and cold water, 512 M St.

FOR RENT—Large front room, suitable for one or two gentlemen. 1333 O St.

NICELY furnished housekeeping rooms, near Santa Fe. 921 S St. Main 647.

FRONT housekeeping apartments furnished complete. National House, 1116 I St. Reference required.

FOR RENT—2 nicely furnished housekeeping rooms. 840 N St.

ONE FRONT, also 2 furnished housekeeping rooms. 432 N St.

FOR RENT—3 unfurnished rooms, screen porch, bath. 2014 Stanislaus St.

FOR RENT—Furnished housekeeping rooms, 751 J St.

2 FURNISHED housekeeping rooms, no children. 453 I St. Phone Main 2469.

FOR RENT—Front room with running water, and board. 824 M St.

TWO UNFURNISHED housekeeping rooms, Old Library Bldg., 1910 Fresno St.

TWO FURNISHED housekeeping rooms; no children, no dogs. 1263 Q.

FOR RENT—3 furnished housekeeping rooms. Inquire 242 Diana.

NICE SINGLE rooms for gentlemen, all modern. Kohler House, 1306 K St.

NICELY furnished sunny rooms at 1452 K.

FOR RENT—Two back rooms for light housekeeping, reasonable. Apply rear, 856 L St.

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished front rooms for gentlemen, 1515 I St.

FOR RENT—Desirable rooms, with stores, bath and phone. 1355 L.

NICE FRONT room for gentleman in family of two. Apply 848 N.

FURNISHED rooms at 1252 L. Main 3044.

FOR RENT—Housekeeping rooms, furnished, near Santa Fe packing houses, cheap. 622 Angus.

TWO UNFURNISHED housekeeping rooms. Phone, gas and bath. 461 N St.

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms. 941 O St.

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished rooms with board. 1428 J St. Mrs. C. E. Bagley.

FOR RENT—Single room for gentleman, electric light and phone. Apply 650 K St.

THE MAJESTIC—Nicely furnished cool rooms, neat and clean, rates reasonable 1160 J St.

FOR RENT—Miscellaneous

FOR RENT—16 acres Thompson and wine grapes. Call State 2445.

FOR RENT—Grain land cheap, 8 miles northwest. Apply 149 Calaveras Ave.

FOR RENT—120 acres in vines, trees and alfalfa, ⅓ crop. See Guy Stockton 1050 J St.

FOR RENT—Ten acres with four room house and barn, peaches, grapes and berries. Call at corner Palm and Clinton Aves., one mile north of Belmont Ave.

FOR RENT—10 acre ranch, close in. State 2138.

FOR RENT—10 acres Thompson Seedless on Palm Ave. Call State 2445.

FOR RENT—500 acres, sub-irrigated, hay or grain land. Owner will furnish seed. Apply at once. Huber Bros. Co., 1140 J St.

TO RENT—87 acres near Hughson, Stanislaus county; forty alfalfa; house, barn, well. Box 483, Coalinga, Cal.

FOR RENT—620 acres of good grain land ⅝ mile from warehouse and railway station. For particulars apply to M. W. Muller, 1033 J St., Fresno.

FOR RENT—A. O. U. W. hall, Saturday and Sunday. Inquire at the hall.

ROOMS AND BOARD

DAY BOARDERS wanted, also furnished bedroom for rent. 1234 Inyo St.

ROOM and board for 2 gentlemen, at Mrs. Lauffenberger's, 2546 Inyo St.

BOARD AND ROOM, also table board, first class. 1355 K St.

BOARD AND ROOM, also table boarders at 1255 L.

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TO LOAN—$600 on good real estate security, 8 per cent net. Room 14, First National Bank Bldg.

TO LOAN—$2000, 8 per cent net, to lender. Loan, Box 41, Republican.

MONEY TO LOAN on Fresno city property and on real estate throughout the San Joaquin valley. Large loans a specialty.
HALE, LOFFTUS & CO., 1932 Mariposa.

MONEY TO LOAN on good real estate security. Apply Martin & Story, 1933 Mariposa.

MONEY TO LOAN on real estate. H. R. Simpson Land Co., Fisk bldg.

$100,000 TO LOAN on country lands, orange orchards, alfalfa, grain lands, etc. C. J. Tallon, 203 Metropolis Bank Building, 825 Market St., San Francisco.

MONEY TO LOAN at low rates on improved city property or for building, on easy terms of repayment. Ewing-McDaniel Co., Fresno.

Tips

—On Buying or Selling Pictures

How cheerful beautiful Pictures make a home! Chances to get really good Pictures cheap occur right along. A home breaks up—misfortune comes—and Pictures, costing large sums, are sold for a mere trifle. Watch these chances. Our Little Want Ads frequently tell of them. Maybe you want to sell some Pictures you no longer care for? Try one of our Little Want Ads that go into thousands of homes in this city daily. It costs but a few pennies each visit. Better than attending or conducting an auction sale, isn't it?

Read and Answer
Today's Want Ads.

HELP WANTED—Male

STRONG BOY to learn printing business W. R. Webb, 1307 I St.

WANTED—Clerk for office work with some knowledge of bookkeeping. Apply Fresno Fuel Co., 102 O St.

AGENTS WANTED—A good man, having confidence in his ability to sell a high grade investment that will yield large profits to investors, and already endorsed by twenty of the leading bankers and business men of the Pacific coast, can secure a good position. Give age, experience and references. Address Western Finance Company, First National Bank Building, San Francisco.

EXPERIENCED competent vineyard foreman with references, unmarried. G. B., Box 60, Republican.

WANTED—Man and wife to work on ranch, no children. A. Grimstad, Oleander.

WANTED—15 men for repairing old flumes above Trimmer Springs, steady work, wages $2.25 per day. Hume-Bennett Lumber Co., Sanger.

WANTED—15 acres plowed and put in barley immediately. W. J. Beard, R. 3, Box 63.

WANTED—Men to eat Parker's preserves for their breakfast. See Millard & Scott.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—Two first-class waiters. Esrey's Grill, Hanford.

WANTED—Two good gent solicitors, $20 a week guaranteed. Apply to R. S. Thompson, 1136 J St.

WANTED—Salesman experienced in wholesale, provision, grocery or produce business. Give references. Address S. L., Box 21, Republican.

WANTED—Cash boy. Apply Gottschalks.

GONZALO PARTIDA, employment office Mexican labor specialty, 1513 Tulare St. Tel. China 702.

WANTED—Men at Los Angeles. Electricity, automobiling, plumbing, bricklaying, carpentry, sign painting trades taught in few months. No cash expense. Actual contract work. Write for catalogue. United Trade School Contracting Co., 236 Aliso, Los Angeles.

WANTED—937 men to eat at the Coffee Club. Quick service. Meals 15c up. 937 I St.

JAKE'S EMPLOYMENT BUREAU for reliable help. 1329 Tulare St. Phone Main 351.

PAUL MAYER furnishes male help. H and Kern Sts. Phone Main 690.

JAPANESE HELP—Labor contracting. Kanikawa Bros., G and Kern Sts. Tel. Main 88.

FOR SALE—Stock

WELL BROKE 5 year old horse. 415 Valeria St.

FOR SALE—Good work stock, 2 mules and 2 horses. 422 Glenn.

FOR SALE—6 No. 1 mules and 6 good horses. Mono Stables, corner J and Mono.

AUCTION SALE
LIVE STOCK
Wednesday afternoon, 2 o'clock
December 15, '09.
AT THE Gilbert ranch, adjoining the Easterby school house, corner Chestnut and Tulare Aves.

ON THE above date and hour I will sell to the highest bidder for cash the following cattle and horses:
7 Registered Jerseys.
7 Registered shorthorns.
8 Head of good work horses.
EVERY ONE of the cattle blue ribbon winners.
ALSO one heavy harness, one surrey harness, one gas engine and buzz saw, one wine press.
REMEMBER the date and hour and don't miss this sale.
L. BRAY, Auctioneer.

FOR SALE—Gentle young driving horse, also buggy and harness cheap for cash. Apply 144 San Pablo.

FOR SALE—One work horse, 1250 lbs., $50. McLaughlin & Dodge, 493 Blackstone avenue.

FOR SALE—Good work horses. Fairview Vineyard, Kutner Colony.

FOR SALE or will lease on shares to responsible parties, 20 jacks just imported from Arabia, for breeding, 3 to 4 years old. H. Homsey, 1156 I St., second floor.

SPAN OF good mares, 3 miles out on Blackstone, or R. R. 10, Box 35 B.

FOR SALE—A registered Durham bull and six Durham heifers. Address Selma Land Co.

FOR SALE—Nice, gentle driving mare. Falk, R. R. 6, Chestnut Ave., ½ mile south from Jensen.

DRESSMAKING

WANTED—Sewing, 1427 L. Phone Main 746.

WANTED—Sewing by the day; references given. Phone Main 2903.

FASHIONABLE dressmaking, children's up to date suits a specialty, moderate prices. Suite No. 1, The Spencer, 1033 K St., near postoffice. Mrs. Watson.

EASTERN DRESSMAKER, reasonable prices. 1911 Fresno St. Room 20. Mrs. E. M. Atkinson.

DRESSMAKER and tailoress, latest improved dressmaking and tailoring taught. Mrs. O. F. Keen, Room 25-26 Fiske Bldg. Main 1184.

DRESSMAKING—Mrs. A. T. Martin, 1038 J. Main 2973.

DENTISTS

DRS. REILLY & BEASER, dentists, Rooms 141-143 Forsyth. Main 881, 944.

HELP WANTED—Female

WANTED—Girl to do general housework. Inquire 1145 T St.

WANTED—Experienced salesladies for gents' furnishings. Radin & Kamp.

WANTED—Girl for light housekeeping in country. Inquire 124 Jensen Ave.

WANTED—A girl for housework. Apply 466 Fortheamp.

EXPERIENCED Stenographer with knowledge of bookkeeping. Answer in own handwriting stating salary expected. W., Box 29, Republican.

WANTED—Girl for housework, Swedish or Danish preferred. Mrs. W. D. Coates, 344 Van Ness Ave.

WANTED—Girl for general housework, small family. 1742 L St. Main 1960.

WANTED—A competent girl to do cooking and housework. 1007 R St.

WANTED—Two lady solicitors, $20 a week guaranteed. Apply to R. S. Thompson, 1136 J St.

WANTED—Saleslady for candy department, experienced only. Apply Gottschalks'.

WANTED—Saleslaides in fancy goods department. Apply Gottschalks'.

WANTED—Good girl for general housework. Must be good cook. 1445 K St.

WANTED—Experienced cashiers. Gottschalk's.

WANTED—Stenographer, experienced in commercial work, steady position and good salary paid to right party. Address, mentioning references and experience, P. O. Box 169, Fresno.

WANTED—Stenographers and typewriters to register at our office for positions. No charge. Underwood Typewriter Co., 1060 J St., Fresno, Cal. Phone Main 1005.

WANTED—Experienced sales ladies in toy and book departments. Apply Gottschalk's.

WANTED—Bright young ladies for wrapping desk; also cashiers. Gottschalk's.

WANTED—Situations

WOMAN with girl, housekeeper, cook; small compensation. 2324 Stanislaus.

STEAM ENGINEER, ten years' experience in New England, machinist and pipe fitter, can do own repairs. W. W. Metcalf, 1435 K St. Phone Main 255.

WANTED — Widow lady with child wishes position as housekeeper, best of references. Address Box 693, Selma, Cal.

MAN AND WIFE wish work on ranch. 2136 Kern.

LADY WISHES position as c

HYDROPHOBIA REPORTED IN THREE CITIES OF THE STATE

This is Something Unheard of in California History.

Texas Fever Line of Quarantine in Fresno to be One Township.

County Veterinary Inspector Longley reports a remarkable and important thing in the veterinary history of California. It is that rabies (hydrophobia) has made its appearance, and that the veterinary experts have record of more than 50 authenticated cases in dogs, horses and men.

Hydrophobia has been an unknown thing in California. How the cases in question arose, or where their origin, is at present unknown, but the subject is under investigation. The cases are traced to a time six weeks ago when their existence was first noted.

Veterinary Longley says that a few cases have been reported in Stockton and in San Francisco, but the greater number in Los Angeles. The report is that 50 cases of hydrophobia in dogs, three in horses and two in human beings have been recorded there. Said he further:

"There has been no evidence of rabies here nor in the San Joaquin valley. I do not wish to pose as an alarmist, but the thing is serious enough to warrant taking protective measures in the line of destroying vagrant and mongrel dogs, of which there are altogether too many in Fresno city and county. Los Angeles has already taken the alarm, and by this time has adopted an ordinance for the muzzling of dogs and to reduce the number of canines without masters.

"The Live Stock Sanitary Association, composed of the state veterinary and his assistants and the county and city veterinarians, will hold its next meeting on the 12th of next month at Los Angeles, and rabies will be the special subject of the session. I will attend that meeting and it is hoped that the association will suggest a systematic means to combat the threatened evil among animals."

Speaking of the Federal quarantine against the Texas cattle tick, the county veterinary said that things are in a very favorable state in Fresno county. Within the last two years the quarantine line has been gradually reduced to the west half of the county, and all ranches where the fever tick has not appeared this year have been released from quarantine. Sixty out of sixty-four such ranches have been released.

Those not yet released cover approximately not more than 250 acres and Veterinary Longley expects almost any day orders from superior authority reducing the county quarantined infested territory to township lines covering the four unreleased ranches. These are bunched in one township.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

Last Week

A lady came in to see us about her eyes, said she was thoroughly discouraged, she had had four different fittings, the last made by an oculist who put drops in her eyes. None seemed to give her relief from almost constant pains in her eyes and head.

After a careful examination we made up a pair of glasses for her, after using them a few days she came down to the office just to tell us how delighted she was. All pain has ceased and she sees perfectly. We do the same for lots of people.

C. A. Wall & Co. Jewelers Fresno, Cal.

COUNTY CLERKS CONFER ON NEW PRIMARY LAW

Meeting Held in Oakland to Secure Uniformity of Action.

County Clerk Miles was in Oakland yesterday at a meeting of county clerks convened to consider various matters in connection with the practical operation of the primary law passed at the last session of the state legislature.

One of the more important questions is whether any one on the present great register is entitled to vote at the general primary on the 16th of next August without registration for that primary election. In point of fact, it has always been permitted here to so vote without registration for the city primaries.

Another question which is bothering the clerks is the great register itself. This in effect has been done away with by the new law, in so far as having a great volume of registered voters containing also the information given in their affidavit on application to the register, he new law makes the original affidavits the register in fact and it is not required to make up a great register book.

A collection of 18,000 affidavits such as an election in this county calls for, it is pointed out, is not a handy reference means, and while the new law does not point out any method the clerks are wondering how to keep a record so that the information of the affidavits may be quickly and practically got at without going over the bulky affidavit packages.

ARMY TRANSPORT TO SAIL.

SEATTLE, Dec. 14.—The army transport Dix, which is loading hay and mules for the Philippine Islands and which has been delayed by the switchmen's strike, expects to sail for Manila via Honolulu Wednesday noon. A rumor that the Dix would be sent to Nicaragua with troops occasioned some surprise at the quartermasters' office here. The Dix has no accommodations for troops and would require extensive changes to convert her into a troop ship.

GASOLINE LAUNCH BLOWS UP

VANCOUVER, Dec. 14.—The gasoline schooner Lulu of the Halibut fishing fleet operating out of Prince Rupert, last night took fire and blew up, thirty miles south of Rupert. Her crew of ten men escaped in dories and today reached Runert, tired and hungry, but uninjured.

The fire broke out so suddenly and fiercely that the crew found it impossible to extinguish it. They abandoned the boat and in a few minutes the gasoline tanks blew up and she sank.

VALLEJO PIONEER DIES.

VALLEJO, Dec. 14.—Martin Aden, a pioneer capitalist of this city, died at his home here today.

FOUNTAIN SYRINGES.
Seventy-five cents to $3.50; fresh stock. Buker & Colson Drug Co.

NOW IS THE TIME
To buy your Xmas Cards and booklets at Smith Bros. Drug Store.

EVERYTHING ELECTRICAL
OUR SPECIALTY.
LARGE ASSORTMENT, ATTRACTIVE DISPLAY.
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SELECT YOUR XMAS PRE SENTS FROM OUR STORE.
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1817-1819 TULARE STREET.

Capital	$300,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	165,000.00
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Keeping in close personal touch with our depositors, and making their welfare our interest, this bank with its large capital and ample resources furnishes an ideal depositary for the depositor, small or large, the farmer and the business man.

NEW ACCOUNTS INVITED

The Farmers National Bank

OF FR ESNO.

UNITED STATES DEPOSITARY.

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SHOPPING DAYS BEFORE
CHRISTMAS
NOT MANY MORE DAYS—GET BUSY

KING LEOPOLD HAS FIGHTING CHANCE

Undergoes Operation Successfully But Will Probably Die.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 14.—King Leopold today underwent a most serious operation and astounded science by the manner in which he withstood it.

His remarkable recuperative powers manifested themselves directly he regained consciousness, and the optimistic spirit which he has shown throughout his illness returned to him. He expressed satisfaction when informed of details of the operation, which was for relief of simple obstruction of the intestines.

Tonight the king is making a plucky fight for life. He was even strong enough to sign the new military law just passed by the senate. But the battle has not been completely won. It is understood that the real feeling of his physicians and household is not so hopeful as official bulletins would indicate. The crisis probably will last three days. There is a possibility that the intestines will be gripped by paralysis—a danger that always causes anxiety on the part of surgeons—and, in that event, a recurrence of the obstruction would be likely and another operation necessary.

Leopold emerged from the operation with a regular pulse and cheerful. He was so talkative that the doctors were obliged to warn him, after which the patient felt into a refreshing slumber. The condition of His Majesty tonight is stated to be satisfactory.

RECEIVED MINISTER WILSON

The last member of the diplomatic corps to see King Leopold was the American minister, Henry Lane Wilson, who was received a fortnight ago on a farewell visit, preparatory to his departure to his new post in Mexico.

The audience was most interesting. The king was in the gayest of spirits, greeting Wilson and his wife with great cordiality. Following his habit when in good humor, he conversed in English, in which he is an adept, and expressed regret that the minister is leaving. He spoke in admiration of President Taft, referring to him as a great leader and a great President.

He asked the minister to convey his respects to the President with wishes of a continued successful administration.

Then he continued laughingly, "But I do hope the United States will change from her drastic attitude on the Congo."

The king said he was bothered with rheumatism, but he looked well. When alluding to Leopold's bad foot, Mr. Wilson suggested, "Like Achilles, you are vulnerable only in your heel," the king laughed heartily. He said he was eager to return to Paris to resume electrical treatment, in which he had the utmost confidence.

The gravity of the king's illness became apparent only a few days ago, and while an operation was finally decided upon as imperative, the fact that the king was unable to retain nourishment, and thereby lost strength rapidly, gave rise to serious doubts as to his ability to withstand the shock.

PRINCE ALBERT

In view of the condition of the king, interest is concentrated upon Prince Albert Leopold, heir presumptive, son of the late Count of Flanders, King Leopold's brother. Prince Albert is a striking contrast to his uncle. He is a distinct family man, happily wedded. He has traveled and studied in America and is a great student of economics and politics, often lecturing in public.

Nevertheless, he has modern tastes and is a splendid horseman and is interested in aviation and motoring. He has even made a flight in a dirigible. His frank, good-natured face bespeaks intelligence and invites confidence.

The art shops in the city are freely exhibiting in their windows pictures of the royal family—above, King Leopold, aged, austere and reserved; below, Prince Albert, young, brilliant and pleasant. Moreover, the prince is popular with the people, whose sympathy and respect he is certain to win as sovereign.

NEW MILITARY LAW

Today has been doubly momentous in Belgian history. In the presence of Prince Albert, who has a hereditary right to a seat, the senate adopted, with the concurrence of the chamber, a military law that vitally concerns the country and that has aroused intense discussion and once threatened to overturn the cabinet.

The measure involves the complete reversal of the system of recruiting for the army. It provides for the service of one son in each family, instead of general recruitment by lot, but, more important, they are forbidden to hire substitutes. In the recent crisis in Spain, outright evasion of service by the rich through the payment of money aroused the anger of the people.

King Leopold favors the law and his supporters have been most anxious that he should have the opportunity to attach his signature to it.

NO GRIEF MANIFEST

So far as the king's illness is concerned, there are evidences of the indifference of the people with reference to a change in sovereigns. The newspapers are restricting themselves to brief accounts of the development of malady and discreet allusions to the king's domestic tragedies, but they make practically no comment on Leopold himself nor on the destinies of the country.

The Belgians, however, are loyal to the king and have the greatest admiration for his great intellect and power. While they do not forget that Leopold's administration in the Congo created a storm of international accusation and almost endangered the country's honor, all parties are now united on the Congo policies, as they regard the Congo Independent State as an immense field for Belgian enterprise. They remember also that it was King Leopold who gave such material development to Belgium.

Ex-Crown Princess Stephanie, the daughter of King Leopold, who is now the Countess Lonyay, left Hungary today for Brussels to see her father.

ONE PASSENGER KILLED IN GREAT NORTHERN WRECK

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Dec. 14.—L. B. Lomone of Everett was killed; L. Diomede was fatally injured and half a dozen Italian laborers were seriously hurt in a wreck of a Great Northern work train three miles east of Sedro-Woolley on the Rockport branch, late yesterday. The locomotive tender, caboose and several flat cars were piled in a tangle heap.

The grade collapsed beneath the locomotive and it dropped about five feet. The tender and flat cars piled on top of it. Steel in flat cars behind the caboose was thrust forward as the train stopped, completely wrecking the caboose.

"DYNAMITE FUSE" SETS SMALL FIRE

Two Suits of Clothing, Owned by Espee Brakeman, are Destroyed in Peculiar Blaze.

Considerable excitement was created at the Southern Pacific depot at 11 o'clock last night when a small dynamite fuse enclosed in what is known as a "train-box" exploded and set fire to two suits of clothes, owned by two brakemen on train No. 50.

The two suits were completely destroyed before the box could be forced open and the fire extinguished. Brakeman J. W. Mitchell of this city, owner of one of the suits, was hauling the train-box on a truck. The jar of the truck wheels running over the rough depot platform caused a dynimate fuse to explode. Smoke began to issue from a crack in the box, but the fire had been burning a minute or more before discovered. J. Landon owned the other suit.

TWO LOCAL INVENTORS ARE GIVEN PATENTS

One is for a Spreading Vineyard Plow; Other for a Play Swing.

Attorney F. C. Huebner has word from Washington of the granting of patents on the applications of two Fresno inventors Frank R. Mosher, blacksmith of Parlier, and Edwin V. Lewis, a clerk in the employ of the S. P. Company.

Mosher's invention is one that will interest the vineyardists more especially. It is for a plow with the widest range of adjustment, so that the shares may be thrown at will to right or left while the beam during the operation remains parallel with the land. The point is that the plow shares working on a pivot in the beam can be made to plow under vines and alongside of trees, while the draft horses remain in the middle of the vineyard or tree rows. A local agricultural implement factory has taken up the contract to make and market these plows. The Mosher patent was not secured without correspondence, because of existing specifications accompanying other applications for letters for mechanical invention on somewhat similar lines.

The Lewis invention is one which will be hailed with delight by the younger generation. It is a swing which with the easy tugging on a rope operates with the motions of the occupant. Mr. Lewis will, it is said, construct an operating model and place it in the public playground in the court house park.

CHINAMAN TRIES TO KNIFE COUNTRYMAN

Sun Moy, an aged Chinaman, was arrested in China alley at a late hour last night by Patrolman Machen for assault with a deadly weapon. Moy is said to have attempted to stick a large dagger into another Chinaman in a quarrel over financial matters. Moy was lodged in the county jail.

Ole Benson was arrested for drunkenness by Patrolman Castner.

ALASKA IS AFTER HOME GOVERNMENT

SEATTLE, Dec. 14.—Alaska's delegate to Congress, James Wickersham, said today that upon his arrival in Washington early in January he would introduce a bill providing for the establishment of a territorial government for Alaska, including a legislature elected by the citizens of the territory. President Taft in speeches and in his message has said that Alaska was not ripe for a territorial form of government and advocates appointment of a commission to recommend legislation needed. The President will visit Alaska next summer.

MUST NOT EMPLOY BOY MESSENGERS

DES MOINES, Dec. 14.—State Labor Commissioner Edward Van Duyn today caused the arrest of the local officers of the Postal Telegraph Company, charging that the company was employing messenger boys under the age of 16, contrary to the Iowa child labor laws.

VALUABLE LENS LOST IN OBSERVATORY FIRE

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 14.—It developed today that the most serious loss suffered yesterday in the fire that destroyed "The Monastery" on Mount Wilson, was that of the nine-inch reflecting lens prepared for Professor Ellerman for use in the South Sea Islands the coming summer in photographing Halley's comet.

While most of the records and documents of the observatory were safe in the Pasadena offices, a number of scientific papers and valuable reference books were burned.

MRS. FORD PLEADS NOT GUILTY

CINCINNATI, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Jeanette Stewart-Ford appeared before Judge Woodman in the common pleas court today and pleaded not guilty to the indictment charging her with attempting to blackmail Charles L. Warriner, former local treasurer of the Big Four railroad, who, it is alleged, stole $643,000 from the railroad. The court set the sale of trial for December 27th.

Bond was fixed at $2500 on this indictment and Mrs. Ford was released on her own recognizance on another indictment, that for receiving stolen money, under which she had been out on $25,000 bond.

FIRE SCARE IN HIGH BUILDING.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 14.—Two women and three men were carried down ladders from the sixth floor of the Kemper building, in the heart of the business district, when fire in the basement last night filled the building with smoke, cutting off escape by the stairways and elevators. More than fifty tenants descended in a panic to the street on the fire escapes.

The fire was confined to the basement and the damage was slight.

RICH WOMAN DIES.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Mary Hanna, "the third richest woman in Cincinnati, died at her home today. As the widow of Henry Hanna, she was left a fortune of $7,000,000. Mrs. Hanna was 91 years of age. One daughter inherits the estate.

M. A. HUBBARD DEAD.

COLTON, Cal., Dec. 14.—M. A. Hubbard, for twenty-six years prominent in the business life of Colton, died today of pneumonia.

Your Hair is Worth It
Afraid to use hair preparations? Don't know exactly what to do? Then why not consult your doctor? Isn't your hair worth it? Ask him if he endorses Ayer's Hair Vigor for falling hair.
Does not Color the Hair
J. C. Ayer Company, Lowell, Mass.

MAN WHO DEVISED CREDITS FOR CONVICTS DIES IN MICHIGAN

JACKSON, Mich., Dec. 14.—William L. Seaton, former warden of the state prison here and being credited with being the originator of the system of giving convicts credits for "good time," is dead at his home here. He was 86 years of age.

YEAR IN PRISON FOR PUBLISHER OF TOLSTOY'S NEW BOOK.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 14.—The publisher of Tolstoy's new book, "The Kingdom of God Within Us," was sentenced today to a year's imprisonment in a fortress.

HEALTH REGULATIONS FOR LOS ANGELES BARBER SHOPS

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 14.—Clean towels and sterilized barber tools will be a legal requirement on and after January 14th next according to the barber shop ordinance which was passed by the Los Angeles city council today. The ordinance places the inspection of barber shops in charge of the board of health. Violations of its provisions carries a penalty not to exceed a fine of $200 or a jail sentence of 100 days.

NEWSPAPER COPYRIGHT.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 14.—A bill has been introduced in the upper house of parliament establishing an absolute copyright on news despatches and correspondence in the periodical press for eighteen hours after publication. The bill, the aim of which is the protection of newspaper correspondents, will, if enacted, prevent morning newspapers reprinting dispatches of afternoon papers and vice versa.

DIES ON STOCKTON TRAIN.

STOCKTON, Dec. 14.—Amos F. Sewell of San Francisco, an insurance adjuster about 50 years old, died suddenly this morning on the Southern Pacific train which arrives in Stockton at 10:30 a. m. He leaves a widow and a son. The remains are at the morgue and an inquest will be shipped home this afternoon.

DIES ON THE STREET.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 14.—B. G. Sweet, a merchant of Empire City, Kan., who had come to Los Angeles with his wife to spend the winter, was stricken with heart failure on the street today and died in an ambulance while being taken to a hospital.

BODIES OF MINERS FOUND.

MADISONVILLE, Ky., Dec. 14.—A searching party today found the bodies of the seven miners entombed in the Baker mine near Wheat Croft. The miners evidently had died from black damp.

SHOOTS WIFE, THEN SUICIDES.

NEAH BAY, Wash., Dec. 14.—John Kerns, a tinner, shot and killed his wife in the home of F. T. Walker, her son, then committed suicide today.

Today In The Toy Department

In our big electric lighted, steam heated Basement we offer so many good specials that you can't afford to stay away. Many more besides the list given here.

Extra Special — Pacing Bob and Cart 20c

This is the horse that walks and this is the price that talks.

Hoyle's Games; autographed edition ..... 98¢
Little Women; large edition, illustrated ..... 98¢
1 set 7 volumes Shakespeare's books; 1-4 leather binding $5.00
Ben King's Verse $1.18

Early Shopping Discount.

We will allow 10 per cent discount on your entire purchases if you cut out this coupon and use it in the mornings between 8 and 12. Not good after noon. We do this to encourage morning shopping, thus relieving the congestion that follows during the afternoon.

No discount allowed without this coupon.

Sale of Ostrich Plumes In Fancy Boxes

We had our best makers on fine willow plumes send us fifty beautiful plumes for holiday sale. These goods are not bought outright, but are sent to us to be placed on sale. The prices are the maker's and he pays us for selling them. To see them means that you will buy them if you care to save; $12.50 to $35.00, for ..... $8.95 to $24.95

Rich and handsome Furs from your best store at popular prices.

Women's Coney Scarf, black dye, good width and length; plain lined $1.35
Full length Black Stole Marmot; brocade lining $3.00
Black Coney Collar; two heads of fur tails on each end; plain lining $2.50
Brown Coney Set; muff and scarf $5.00
Fox Boa; good fine size; Isabella style; double fox $7.50
Isabella Fox Sets; scarf and muff $15.00

CHILDREN'S FURS
Are Here in Nice Assortment
Gray or Brown Coney Scarf and Muff; set complete $1.75
Children's Coney Imitation of Ermine Scarf or Muff $1.50
Girls' Gray Coney Sets; muff and scarf $5.00
Girls' Muskrat Set of Pillow Muff and Scarf $7.50
Child's White Angora Set; muff and scarf $4.38
Marabout Boas, in very pretty colorings, and here as low as $8.50

Shoe Values That Are Unequaled

If You Compare Quality, Style and Price

Footwear that should appeal to all shrewd shoe buyers in our Shoe Department.

Ladies' black suede button, short vamp, new effect shoe $4.50

Ladies' pat. colt, button or blucher shoe, cloth or mat. kid top, welt soles; very smart $3.50 shoe at $2.98

Men's pat. colt, button or blucher, welt sole, dress shoe; special value $4.50

Men's pat. colt or tan calf, blucher shoe; values to $4.00, at $3.00

Misses' pat. colt or vici kid button, with wide effect toe; $3.00 value $2.50

Misses' box calf or kid $1.50 school shoe; extension toe ..... 98¢

Boys' box calf seamless school shoe, all solid; special $1.75

Women's felt fur top slippers; values to $1.50, at ..... 98¢

Men's alligator tan or black house slippers ..... 98¢

Holiday Hosiery

Four Pair in a Box $1.00

We are having a big demand for these colored hose in a holly box, four pair all different shades.

$1.50 Silk Hose 95c

From McCallum's, the best advertised silk hose in America; all colors and black.

Many women use two pair of colored silk hose at 85c a pair and wear one pair over the other—very effective.

New Art Work

Dalmatian Band embroidered cushion covers; embroidered in Oriental colors on ecru serim. Prices $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $3.00 and $3.50 each.

Cushion covers and doilies to match, made of white hemstitched linen trimmed with Coronation cord, torpedo cord and Red Ideal Nun's peart lustre.

Prices: $1.50 & $2.50 Each

Stamped cushion covers in both white and linen for Coronation cord, for each 50c

Christmas Candy From Kutner's

First we have to tell of Muskey's fine candies, on sale in original boxes at..... 60c, $1.10

Fresh Chocolate Candy from one of San Francisco's best makers, loose, lb 40c

Christmas Candy, fancy mixed, lb 9c

Gum Drops, large size, fine quality 12½c

Demonstration of Quaker Oats All This Week

A high class chef, sent out by the makers of Quaker Oats, will be here this week, Mariposa street store, to demonstrate Quaker Oats, Puffed Rice, Corn Meal and Corn Flakes.

KUTNER'S

Today's Grocery Extras

Paper Shell Almonds, per lb ..... 15¢
Pint Bottles Snider's Catsup, bottle ..... 20¢
30c Bottles Eagle Chili Powder, bottle ..... 25¢
Heinz' Sour Pickles, quart ..... 15¢
Ready Cut Macaroni, pkg ..... 10¢
We sell Fort Costa Flour.

We Give Away

ALL of our profits up to Christmas on the following goods:

1,000 Pictures, from ..... 15c to $20
Prices just half value
100 Footstools, the cutest you ever saw, for ..... 50¢
Roman Stools, covered in all kinds of fine goods $1.25
A $9.00 Weathered Oak Table for only $5.00
An $8.50 Weathered Oak Arm Chair only $3.00
An $11.00 Ladies' Desk, made of all oak $7.50
Child's Desk and Chair, in oak, well made $7.50
Weathered Oak Rocker, the $6.50 kind for $4.00
Magazine Stand, made of solid oak $4.00
A $15.50 French Made Brass Lamp $10.00
A $22.50 French Made Brass Lamp $12.50
A $30.00 French Made Brass Lamp $17.50
A $17.50 Solid Oak Morris Chair $10.85

This is an article you do not want to miss.

$3.00 Solid Oak Pedestals, now only $1.75
$1.25 Solid Oak Costumer, for hats and coats ..... 65¢
A Brass Doll Bed for the Children only ..... 50¢
A Folding Go-Cart for Dolly, only ..... 75¢

And many more goods too numerous to mention are sold for Christmas at cost. We are positively the Cheapest House and will guarantee everything. Come early as it takes time to polish furniture.

Wormser Furniture Co.

1022-1026 J STREET FRESNO

FREIGHTS PAID TO ALL POINTS

Hog Feed $10 Ton
Caproco Oil Cake
Caproco Oil Cake Meal
CALIFORNIA PRODUCTS CO.
South End "O" St. and Butler Ave.